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Wait and see attitude

Hussein cool to peace plan

WASHINGTON (JTA)—King Hussein of Jordan, in a visit here, neither endorsed nor rejected Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir's proposal for elections in the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

But during a 70-minute meeting with President Bush at the White House, Hussein did promise that no idea would be "dismissed prematurely," a senior administration official told reporters.

Hussein did not mention the elections during his public statement in the White House Rose Garden after the meeting. But the administration official repeatedly pointed to Hussein's closing remarks, in which he said Bush was held in "high esteem" in the Middle East.

"You are in a unique position to help the protagonists in our area to engender the needed trust and hope, and to assist us in bringing the conflict to a just and durable conclusion," Hussein told the President.

"I can assure you that I fully support you and all your efforts in this regard."

Before the two leaders met privately in the Oval

Office for 20 minutes, Hussein was asked by reporters about the elections and replied, "I believe it is too premature at this moment in time."

In his Rose Garden remarks, Bush said, "I reiterated my belief that properly designed and mutually acceptable elections could, as an initial step, contribute to a process leading to negotiations on the final status of the West Bank and Gaza."

The senior administration official explained later that no acceptance of Shamir's proposal could be expected until it is "fleshed out" as to how Palestinians in the territories would vote to elect representatives to negotiate with Israel for self-rule.

Hussein, who met with Yasser Arafat before coming to Washington, stressed the need for Israel to negotiate with the Palestinian Liberation Organization. "Peace can neither be negotiated nor achieved without PLO participation," he said.

The king also reiterated his call for an international conference, which he first proposed during his

visit to the White House in the spring of 1987.

"I believe the bases for peace are already established," Hussein said. "What is required is to implement them."

Both Bush and Hussein reaffirmed that negotiations must be based on

UN Security Resolutions 242 and 338. "Through these negotiations, peace and security for Israel and all states and legitimate Palestinian political rights can be realized," Bush said.

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Arafat to meet with Mitterrand

PARIS (JTA) —

Yasser Arafat will come to France during the first week of May to meet with French President Francois Mitterrand, according to Foreign Minister Roland Dumas.

It will be the Palestine Liberation Organization leader's first official visit to a major Western country. Diplomatic circles here believe it will serve to strengthen PLO ties with Western countries.

In Jerusalem, Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir spoke out bitterly Sunday against the impending Mitterrand-Arafat meeting.

"Mr. Mitterrand portrays himself as a friend of

Israel," Shamir said in remarks to reporters. "But this meeting entirely contradicts any spirit of friendship between us."

"I regard it with the utmost gravity," he added.

Dumas, in a radio interview Saturday night, said Mitterrand has not deviated from the stance he explained to the Israeli Knesset during his trip to Israel in 1982 — namely, "full backing for Israel's security but also recognition of Palestinian legitimate rights."

Dumas confirmed that the visit is "official," as Arafat will be arriving in France at the president's invitation.

Scheininger urges changes to the CJC

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

Incoming Canadian Jewish Congress President Les Scheininger has tabled proposals to amend Congress bylaws to provide for an enhanced role for community federations in the makeup of Congress' national officers.

Scheininger's proposals, introduced as amendments to those tabled by David Satok (CJN April 6), would see the total number of national officers drop from 35 to 29: there would be four additional federation representatives, nine less regional delegates and the single position of executive vice president would be terminated.

Under Scheininger's plan, four regional chairmen would represent Quebec, Ontario, Saskatchewan and the Pacific, while Quebec and Ontario would also each have one national vice president.

There would also be 10 federation representatives, with Montreal's Allied Jewish Community Services and Toronto Jewish Congress each given two. The remaining six would be comprised of a single delegate from each of the Atlantic Jewish Community Council, and the federations in Ottawa, Winnipeg, Edmonton, Calgary and Vancouver.

Under current bylaws, the Toronto and Montreal federations are each represented by a single officer, while the president of the Winnipeg Jewish Community Council also serves as Manitoba regional chairman. Scheininger would dispense with Manitoba regional representation, substituting the Winnipeg federation president.

Scheininger told The CJN he made the proposals

because "It is important to put Congress in a position so it is ready to move to a positive, proactive program...It will allow the structure of Congress to better reflect the reality of our demography and recognize existing communal structures in Canada."

The incoming president said his proposals differ somewhat from those submitted by Satok, who is national vice president for Ontario, though they are similar in thrust. While Satok's amendments would also see increased representation by federations — federation presidents would, by virtue of their office, serve on the national executive — Scheininger said he would see each federation either elect or

appoint someone to represent it.

Taking into account the "reality of the pressures on federation leadership," Scheininger said he proposes the local groups choose someone who "can give their commitment and time" as a national officer.

That would also give the federations "flexibility in appointments," he added.

Scheininger, who is running unopposed for the Congress national presidency, said his amendments would "reflect the existing local communal structures across Canada. The local federations are the central communal bod-

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Beate Klarsfeld to address Plenary

MONTREAL —

Nazi-hunter and anti-Nazi activist Beate Klarsfeld, who with her husband Serge was responsible for the arrest of the "Butcher of Lyons" Klaus Barbie, will be a keynote speaker at the 22nd National Plenary Assembly of Canadian Jewish Congress, May 7 to 9 at the Queen Elizabeth Hotel.

She will speak Monday, May 8 at 8 p.m. This will be followed by the presentation of the Saul Hayes Human Rights Award to McGill University law professor and human rights activist Irwin Cotler.

Together with her Jewish husband, Klarsfeld, a 48-year-old non-Jewish German, has succeeded in tracking down and helping to indict about a dozen high-level Nazi war criminals, including Barbie who was sentenced to life im-

prisonment by a French court.

As a child her husband had been marked for deportation and lost his father at Auschwitz.

Until she met her husband, Klarsfeld knew nothing about her country's Nazi past. Once she began researching the Holocaust, the shock became devastating. In describing why she became committed to tracking down those responsible for the deportation and murder of millions of Jews she has stated:

"When I learned what had really happened between 1933 and 1945, I decided that in order to be ashamed of my people and to atone for the crimes perpetrated in their name, it was not enough to tell victims that I sincerely sympathized with their pain. It was not enough to plant a tree in Israel."

Spirit of gloom pervades Holocaust TV-movie

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

Nazi Germany's perverted persecution of the Jews,

culminating in the Holocaust, was put best by one of its chief henchmen, Heinrich Himmler.

Visiting a concentration

camp in the midst of the war, he is reported to have mused: "This is a page of glory in our history which has never been written, and

never is to be written."

Himmler's distorted characterization of German history comes about midway through *Geno-*

cide, a 90-minute film to be shown on TV Ontario May 1 at 10 p.m., one day before Yom Hashoa. *Genocide*, first released in 1981, is produced by Arnold Schwartzman in association with the Simon Wiesenthal Center in Los Angeles.

The Holocaust is certainly a unique event, but survivor Simon Wiesenthal, far from thinking that the world has learned its lesson, warns somberly: "Believe me," he intones as the camera pans on him at the Mauthausen concentration camp in Austria, "it can happen again."

Wiesenthal, obviously, is still hurting from his own experiences and the loss of his family at the hands of the Nazis.

The same spirit of gloom pervades *Genocide*, which presents the Holocaust as the climax of a millennia of European anti-semitism. From the Roman empire to Hitlerite Germany, this infestation has haunted mankind.

Always "a people apart" from the main-

stream of Christian civilization, the Jews instilled resentment and fear and envy. Nevertheless, it is still shocking to know that Lutheran theologian Martin Luther could say: "Their synagogues should be set on fire."

Despite the constant vicissitudes, the Jewish people survived such exhortations. Through the medium of photographs, flickering film footage, paintings, prints and scratchy records of pre-World War II Europe, *Genocide* recreates a vibrant Jewish community on the eve of its destruction.

Narrated by the late Orson Welles and Elizabeth Taylor, *Genocide* concentrates its force on developments in Germany from Hitler's accession to power to the unprecedented catastrophe which engulfed the Jews in Nazi-occupied Europe.

It's a familiar litany of shame and horror — the book burnings, the anti-Jewish boycotts, Crystal Night, the odyssey of the

refugee ship St. Louis, the German invasion of Poland and the disasters it triggered, the proclamation of anti-semitic laws and restrictions throughout Nazi Europe, the Wannsee conference in Berlin, the establishment of the death camps, the deportations, the West's indifference to the plight of the Jews, the Warsaw ghetto uprising, the defeat of Germany, the discovery of mounds of rotting corpses in concentration camps by Allied soldiers and the flight of survivors to Palestine/Israel.

There is really nothing new in this. We've seen it all before. But the pain remains, as complete and overwhelming as ever. And, indirectly, *Genocide* poses the ultimate question which, needless to say, can never be answered: what possesses human beings to devour each other so ferociously and consistently?

That's the numb, empty feeling *Genocide* leaves in your belly after the last horrific image fades away.



Jewish survivors of the Holocaust — a scene from *Genocide*, to be broadcast May 1 on TV Ontario.

World-National

WWII seder was a true Exodus tale

By
RABBI W. GUNTHER PLAUT

My most memorable seder was celebrated 44 years ago. Nothing had prepared me for it — yet it was the closest I ever came to re-enacting the original Exodus story.

We were a people on the move in ancient days, and on the occasion I am about to relate I too was on the move, together with a hundred fellow Jews and joined by thousands of like-minded Gentiles. Then too, as in biblical days, we were about to replace oppression with liberty.

It happened during the last stages of the Second World War, when I served as chaplain with the 40th Infantry Division of the American army. We had taken Cologne, stayed briefly, and then moved on to Bonn, a picturesque city built on the banks of the Rhine. It had been the home of Beethoven and of a university of renown, but to us it was at that moment merely another military target. No one could have dreamed that a few years later it would become the capital of a recreated Germany. We had not yet reached that time; the war was still raging and many would still die before it was over. Hitler was still ruling his badly shaken, though nearly ruined reich.

We were preparing for what we anticipated would be the difficult and costly crossing of the mighty Rhine. Every one of us remembered what happened a few weeks before, when we had crossed the small Roer River in the middle of the night and had lost many of our men. The Rhine was five times as broad as the Roer and most likely much better defended. Who among us would never reach the other side?



Rabbi Plaut

Matzohs arrived

Pesach arrived just then, and so did an ample shipment of matzohs, sent to us by the Jewish Welfare Board in the United States. At Bonn University I found a room that had four standing walls, a roof and was large enough for our divisional seder. The fact that the room had previously served as a morgue fazed none of us; death was our constant companion.

We began the seder, but had hardly finished the first few lines when we were unceremoniously interrupted. "Orders from headquarters: Everyone back to his outfit. On the double!" the runner shouted. We managed to hold him long enough to find out what was up. "The Ninth Armored's crossed the Rhine. Everyone says we're to follow 'em over. Tonight."

Historians have told and retold how, because of German error, the bridge at Remagen had been left intact, and had not been destroyed like all the other bridges; how the Ninth Armored Division had exploited the crucial mistake and secured the crossing; how pontoon bridges were constructed at once; and how our division went over to the east side of the Rhine and fanned out into the countryside. Remagen would thereafter stand for the beginning of the last stage of the war.

Our seder became a casualty of these momentous developments; yet the spirit of liberation was mightily buoyed by them. Corp. Kurt Joseph Flamm (who after the war became a successful businessman in Los Angeles, then made aliya and now lives in Jerusalem), was then my assistant, chazzan and driver. Together we grabbed as many boxes of matzohs as we could, loaded them into our jeep and made for Remagen. Our troops were crossing by the hundreds, then thousands. We parked the jeep at the river's edge, stood on the hood and shouted: "Matzohs, matzohs!" (It was not "matzot" in those days.) Seder tonight! Pesach, matzohs!" we yelled. "Celebrate the liberation!"

Heads emerged from tanks, trucks rumbled by. It was dark, but not so dark that we could not toss our boxes to the passing, outstretched hands. Within half an hour our supply was exhausted. Joe chanted the prayers of the Hagadah as we too crossed over. The Bread of Affliction had become the Food of Freedom.

Jews stake ground on abortion

NEW YORK (JTA) —

Basing their arguments on Jewish law and tradition, both Orthodox and nondenominational Jewish groups have filed legal briefs urging the Supreme Court to strike down a Missouri law that in effect bans abortion.

But the unity among the groups is not as complete as it appears. Despite their opposition to aspects of the Missouri law, one of the Orthodox groups, Agudath Israel of America, is nonetheless urging the High Court to overturn the 1973 ruling that established women's right to abortions as a fundamental right under the U.S. Constitution.

Agudath Israel differs from the other Jewish groups, including the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations, which hold that the decision to terminate a pregnancy, whatever the reason, is something for individuals, not the government, to decide.

The agreement refers to a case called William Webster vs. Reproductive Health Services, soon to be heard by the Supreme Court.

The Missouri statutes restrict abortion by denying public funds and facilities for the purpose of performing or counselling about abortions, and include a "finding" that human life begins at the moment of conception.

Missouri is appealing the decisions of a lower court, which found most of the statutes unconstitutional. In addition, the state is asking the Supreme Court to overturn the 1973 to Roe vs. Wade decisions, which established a constitutional right to obtain an abortion.

Abortion rights advocates consider the case the most serious recent challenge Roe vs. Wade, and organized a mass demonstration in Washington. A number of Jewish organizations took part.

Jewish groups also joined major Protestant and interfaith organizations in signing onto a legal brief asking that the Missouri laws be struck down. Coordinated by the American Jewish Congress and written by Harvard Law School Prof. Martha Minow, the brief urges the laws be struck down for two main reasons.

It argues that by finding that human life begins at conception, the statutes establish a religious viewpoint as law, thereby violating the establishment clause of the First Amendment, which bars government establishment of religion.

The brief also offers argument from Jewish tradition that a total ban on abortion would violate the free exercise of religion. Jewish law, the brief points out, actually makes abortion a requirement if the fetus endangers the life of the mother.

The brief contains statements representing the viewpoint of all branches of Judaism, including a statement by National Jewish Community Relations Advisory

Council that "the Jewish community shares with others the reverence for life, on the one hand, and the pluralistic society's concern for individual rights and religious liberty."

According to a source at the Union of American Orthodox Congregations, or O.U., it was NJCRAC's sensitivity to Orthodox beliefs that convinced O.U. leaders to sign onto the brief.

"We believe that every effort should be made to create a society in which people will willingly choose to bring children into the world," said the

source, who described the O.U. as an umbrella organization representing "centrist" Orthodoxy.

But the source said the O.U. also believes that when people choose not to proceed with pregnancies, "for reasons mandated by conscience and religious convictions, this feeling must be respected as well."

Agudath Israel agrees with parts of the intergroup brief. In its own brief it asks that the finding on conception be struck down as a violation of the establishment clause. It also concurs that Jewish law requires

abortion in cases where the mother's life is endangered.

Still, Agudath Israel believes there is a middle ground between the "permissiveness" of Ros vs. Wade, which deems the choice to abort a "fundamental" constitutional right, and the strict restrictions of the Missouri statutes.

"At a minimum it's not necessary to create a law that is totally permissive," said David Zwiebel, Agudath Israel's general counsel and author of the brief. "Constitutionally there's a very easy way: you define abortion as a

fundamental right only if it involves danger to life or if religion would mandate it."

The Jewish groups signing the interfaith brief are the American Jewish Committee, AJCongress, Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, B'nai B'rith Women, Federation of Reconstructionist Congregations and Havurot, Na'amat, National Council of Jewish Women, National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, NJCRAC, North American Federation of Temple Youth and Union of American Hebrew Congregations.

Pro-choice movement addresses "wobbly middle"

By
ELLEN GOODMAN

WASHINGTON —

Far, far back in the crowd that had turned the march into gridlock, one young woman climbed onto a friend's shoulder and offered instructions to her schoolmates. "Stand behind the banner when we march," she yelled, and then added, "And look for my mom!"

I never found out if the lost mom was recovered in the stream of humanity that shuffled down Constitution Avenue on a recent Sunday. But if anything typified the crowd, it was the pairs of mothers and daughters in every nucleus of demonstrators. Mothers who had grown up in an era of illegal abortion walking with daughters who had only known an era of legal abortion.

To many of the mothers — including this one — it was a bittersweet experience. It was good to be surrounded by a younger generation. But the older generation thought we'd won this one for them.

What inspired this unprecedented number of 300,000 supporters to march on Washington was the fear that the Supreme Court will use a Missouri case to overturn legal abortion. But in the end, this was less of an effort to lobby the Court than to regroup and make the case for choice to the people.

As long as Roe v. Wade has protected abortion, pro-choice supporters have had the luxury of saying this decision is nobody else's business. In the words of one chant: "Not the church, not the state, women must decide their fate."

But if, as all but the most optimistic believe, this more conservative Supreme Court allows more restrictions, then access to abortion will hinge on public attitudes. It will be decided by Americans who are now ambivalent about the values that infuse this stalemated debate.

Today, about 10 to 20% of Americans are opposed to abortion under all circumstances. Some 30 to 40% wholeheartedly support the legal status quo. The pro-choice majority rests on what has been called the wobbly assent of the middle, Americans who support abortion for "good reasons." The three reasons, I have been told, are "rape, incest and me." The "me" includes our daughters, wives, neighbors, friends, those we know as responsible.

Americans are uncomfortable with "abortion on

demand." They do not regard the termination of a pregnancy the way they regard an appendectomy. Americans are also profoundly uncomfortable with the idea that some outsider — government or judge — could force a woman to carry a child against her will, her husband's will, her family's will. So they wobble.

The pro-choice movement which has directed its message at the courts and at its own supporters now must turn to that wobbly middle. Those attempts could be read in the posters, "Who Decides? You or Them?" But it isn't enough.

Frances Kissling, president of Catholics for a Free Choice and a philosopher of the pro-choice movement, says: "We have to go to where the majority of people are." She says that the language of women's rights, so obvious and potent to these marchers (Mind Your Own Uterus), means something else to the middle Americans of the late 80s: selfishness. The talk about the "right" to abortion should turn to talk about the "need" for abortion.

Kissling also utters words that are taboo among some of her colleagues. "Some abortions are indeed immoral," she says. Abortion for gender selection is one "clear" example. Pro-choicers shouldn't be afraid to raise these moral issues. "I accept abortion on every level," says Kissling, "but I still firmly believe it would be better if women did not become pregnant when they were not prepared to create life."

Those who believe deeply in the need to keep abortion safe and legal must present their position as both caring and responsible. Caring means, among other things, that abortion clinics should provide a bridge between their teen-age patients and adults. Responsible means that pro-choice advocates "have to stop making excuses for women who won't use birth control."

It is difficult to admit ambiguity in the face of the militant certainty of the anti-abortionists. It is hard to expand a traditional and honorable vocabulary of "rights" into a wider discussion of "needs." But by expressing their own values and their understanding of ambiguity, those who support legal abortion may well increase their standing in the eyes of the ambivalent many.

Certainly this march provided a model. Two generations walked and talked in unison about the commitment to keep abortion legal. And about the hope that abortion would never be needed. This is a message to take to the wobbly middle.

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Tel Aviv embassy trying to whip up business

Canada's trade with Israel hits \$250 million

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

TORONTO —

Canada's trade with Israel reached the \$250 million mark last year, a luncheon sponsored by the Canada-Israel Chamber of Commerce and the department of external affairs was told recently.

In a brief survey of Canada's expanding commercial relations with Israel, James Bartleman, the Canadian ambassador to Israel, revealed that Canada-Israel trade is now in balance for the first time.

And Paul Dingleline, director of the Middle East trade development division in the department of external affairs, said in an interview that Israeli exports to Canada have grown by 150% in the past nine years, while 2-way trade has almost quadrupled since 1975.

Dingleline, who accompanied Bartleman to Toronto, noted that Canada's exports to Israel have increased by 25% since the beginning of this decade.

He explained that "aggressive and successful marketing" by Israeli exporters is the reason why Israel has made dramatic inroads into the Canadian market.

Dingleline, formerly Canada's trade commissioner in Israel, said that Arab exports to Canada have not increased at the same rate. Israel, he disclosed, has become the

largest buyer of Canadian goods in the Middle East, leading Saudi Arabia, Iran, United Arab Emirates and Egypt.

In overall terms, however, Israel is Canada's fourth biggest 2-way trading partner in the region, after oil-rich Saudi Arabia, Iraq and Iran, Bartleman pointed out.

Cut diamonds, Bartleman said, remain Israel's No. 1 export to Canada.

Looking ahead, he said the future of Canada-Israel trade "looks bright." "Mechanisms and agreements" are in place for increased trade; the Export Development Corporation has established lines of credit to major Israeli banks and several major Israeli corporations; Canada accords Israeli goods preferential tariffs.

The Canadian embassy in Tel Aviv is trying to whip up business by alerting companies in Canada of opportunities in Israel.

Bartleman spoke of several major projects either under construction or consideration — a commuter rail line to Tel Aviv, a railroad connection to Eilat, and two power plants. The ambassador, who has been stationed in Israel since 1986, said the Canadian government has reserved exhibition space at forthcoming Israeli medical and agricultural fairs, and is currently in the process of recruiting Canadian participants.

As well, he went on to



Paul Dingleline

say, the embassy is attempting "to put together" a major Canadian food week in Israel's largest supermarket chain. Officials are also working on creating an Israeli food week in Canada.

There are, however, problems.

• "Many businesses" in Canada overlook Israel, thinking the Israeli market is "too small."

• Israel's free trade agreements with the U.S. and the European Economic Community mean that Canadian suppliers are "less competitive" in the Jewish state.

These agreements have had no "dramatic impact" as yet. But Bartleman said "we're watching this very carefully."

• The envoy, anticipating criticism from the Israel-Canada Chamber of Commerce, denied that Canada has singled out Israel regarding the export of Israeli defence products.

"Canada neither buys nor sells defence products in areas of confrontation. This doesn't single out Israel."

Following Bartleman's speech, Lou Ronson, honorary vice-chairman of the Canada-Israel Chamber of Commerce, read an Israel-Canada Chamber of press release.

The release said: "... It was noted with regret... that starting in 1987 the government of Canada enacted some serious obstacles in the free and competitive trading practices between Israeli and Canadian companies with regard to

defence related products and systems.

"Import and export licences were refused, signed agreements were not carried out and Canadian companies interested in joint ventures with Israeli counterparts were 'advised' to desist."

"Furthermore, (the) above constraints are in contradiction to a memorandum of understanding signed by a previous Canadian administration in 1982."

The release concluded this way:

"Unfortunately, the constraints put by the Canadian department of external affairs prohibiting the export and import of defence-related items under the umbrella of calling Israel a 'country engaged or imminently becoming involved in hostilities' is false and counter-productive."

"We do hope that the Canadian embassy in Tel Aviv... will use its influence to change this policy."

Asked to comment on the matter, Dingleline said he found the charge "unfair." As he put it: "We have a policy on the import and export of defence products. It's a global policy, not a new policy, and it's not directed at Israel."

Bartleman suggested that Dingleline's department draft a letter explaining Canadian policy.

Dingleline added: "There is no discriminatory policy toward Israel."

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Bartleman, speaking in the aftermath of Canada's decision to upgrade relations with the PLO, described Canada-Israel relations "across the board as excellent."

He said that Israel's deputy foreign minister, Benjamin Netanyahu, whom he met in Ottawa recently, had called Israel's ties with Canada "excellent" and "unimpaired" by recent developments.

In an interview after the luncheon, Bartleman noted that Netanyahu had not



James Bartleman

asked Canada to change its policy on the PLO.

Bartleman said Canada intended to use its dialogue with the PLO in a "constructive manner" — to en-

courage the PLO "to take even more steps" to moderate its attitude toward Israel.

He said the vast majority of Palestinians in the territories are sympathetic to the PLO — "a given with which we live and work."

Asked to respond to accusations that he functions as Canada's "ambassador to Palestine" and that embassy personnel spend too much time searching for Israeli human rights violations in the territories, he replied: "That's an unfair question. I'm a conscientious public servant serving Canada's interests..."

Bartleman, declaring he is anxious "to deepen"

Canada's relations with Israel, said he has a mandate to maintain contacts with Palestinians on the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

He said that, in common with other Canadians, he is "concerned" about human rights.

"Our representations on human rights are listened to with the utmost seriousness by Israelis and it's our impression that Israel welcomes bringing up allegations and concerns so they can investigate."

In conclusion, Bartleman said he follows "scrupulously" directions from the Canadian government.

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Israeli private company registers first-ever loss

JERUSALEM (JPFS) —

Clal Ltd., Israel's largest private sector holding company, announced last week its first-ever loss, 34.5 million shekels (\$9.1 million) for 1988.

The company earned net profits of 33.4 million shekels (\$8.5 million) the previous year.

Speaking at a press conference here, Clal's managing director Aharon Dovrat said that despite this

fall into the red, "we present a strong company that can absorb these temporary losses."

Had it not been for the 13.5% devaluation at the end of the year, he added, Clal would have broken even in 1988.

The company was hurt by the devaluation because of its large net foreign currency exposure. Dovrat said he was "very optimistic" about 1989.

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Living Halacha

By

RABBI MOSES J. BURAK

QUESTION: When we recite the Hallel, there is a special benediction which must be said before we begin. Why, then, is there no special benediction before the recitation of the Hag-gadah Shel Pesach?

ANSWER: The question has been answered by generations of scholars in a variety of ways. One answer that appeals to me is based on a conception that we should be much more ahead in the fulfilment of our dreams than we are. A great deal more was promised us that hasn't yet arrived.



Rabbi Burak

This is due to our own backsliding, for Hashem keeps his promises. All this is based on the text of Tractate Berachos, 12b, and here is the text.

"Rabbi Elazar ben Azariah said: 'I am like one seventy years old, and I did not succeed in proving that the story of the departure from Egypt should be told at night (in the Shema)' until Ben Zoma explained it. It is said, That thou mayest remember the day when thou camest forth from Egypt, all the days of thy life (Deuteronomy 16:3).

"Ben Zoma holds: Had the biblical phrase been 'The days of thy life,' it would have referred to the days alone. But, since it reads, 'All the days of thy life,' it shows that nights are included, and hence may be regarded as enjoining the narration of Israel's Exodus from Egypt at night (in the Shema)."

The other sages, however, did not endorse Ben Zoma's interpretation. For them, 'The days of thy life,' refers to this world. 'All the days of thy life,' includes the days of the Messiah. Since the other scholars did not accept Ben Zoma's interpretation, Ben Zoma carried the argument to them, and marshalled another text to prove the correctness of his views.

Ben Zoma didn't believe that the Exodus would be mentioned in the days of the Messiah. Does not Jeremiah, Chapter 23:10 make this statement: "Therefore, behold, the days come, saith the Lord, that they shall no more say: 'as the Lord liveth, that brought up the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt'; but,

"As the Lord liveth, that brought up and that led the seed of the house of Israel out of the north country, and from all the countries whither I had driven them; and they shall dwell in their own land."

And what did the sages do with this quotation which seems to prove Ben Zoma's point?

Here is their reply, as given on the same page of the Talmud: "This does not mean the Exodus from Egypt shall be obliterated (from the minds of the people), but that the deliverance from subjection to other kingdoms shall take the first place, and the Exodus from Egypt shall become secondary."

Now, in the Jewish calendar, the first 2,000 years are called, tohu, unformed. The second 2,000 years are known as the Age of Torah. The third 2,000 years are known as Yemot ha-Moshiach, the Days of the Messiah. That's the period we are in now. So, the Exodus should be in second place. But it isn't.

We still need deliverance from subjection. Jews in Arab lands know the meaning of fear. Jews behind the iron curtain have their problems. And even in democratic countries, there is a strong current of anti-semitism that finds expression in many ways.

All this must be happening because we haven't reached the high level of religious devotion expected of us, along with a higher level of observing the mitzvot. The exaltation of the Exodus points out our weaknesses. All this led the Hatan Sofer to conclude in the index to responsum 79, of his she'elot u-teshuvot, O. H.

"Since this exaltation of the Exodus is due to our faults, it is improper to say a blessing over it."

Israel-PLO parley may be underway now: Hauser

Peace talks seen as inevitable

By

PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

Talks between Israel and Palestinians — perhaps even the PLO — over the future of the territories are in the cards, if not already ongoing.

That optimistic, if not startling, prognosis was delivered recently by Rita Hauser, the New York lawyer who along with other Jews from The International Centre for Peace in the Middle East met with PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat in Sweden late last year to convince him to publicly state his organization's acceptance of Israel's right to exist.

Arafat's pronouncement of "the magic words" of recognition demanded by the United States launched the current U.S.-PLO dialogue and sent shock waves through the Israeli foreign policy establishment.

Hauser sees the political process developing from there to an "inevitable" Israel-Palestinian dialogue and peace conference, perhaps as early as this year.

In effect that would mean indirect Israeli-PLO talks, since anyone from the territories with whom Israel speaks would represent the Palestine Liberation Organization.

Hauser, in Toronto to attend a conference on charitable foundations, told The CJN "I'm very optimistic." The dialogue, when it comes, will be "clearly between the Palestinians and the Israelis."

But which Palestinians? she's asked.

"West Bank and Gaza Palestinians," she stated. "Which means in effect, in reality, a dialogue between Israel and the PLO because there is nobody that they will dialogue with on the West Bank who will not say and does not say 'I am a PLO supporter and I take my instructions from them.'"

"So that's going to commence in my view...A dialogue with Arafat and the



Rita Hauser

PLO will also commence indirectly through the U.S. peddling its positions back and forth. That's starting now."

Hafez Assad, the "shrewd, Machiavellian" president of Syria, is now "lining up his chips so that when he comes into (an international) conference he'll be a major player, she suggested.

"Only he can provide peace for Israel in its northern border," Hauser said. "Only he controls the rejectionist Palestinians who take it as a given that the PLO is ready to make peace. The question is the rejectionist Palestinians who are completely opposed to Arafat and almost all of them are under Syrian domination."

Hauser said she can see Syrian willingness to negotiate at an international conference, if it will get the return of the Golan Heights.

Israel occupied the Heights during the Six Day War, after they were repeatedly used by Syrians to shell Israeli settlements and workers below. Israel unilaterally annexed the Golan in 1981.

As part of Assad's grand strategy, he is now trying to dominate the Lebanese Christians in a move aimed at strengthening his position for possible participation at an international conference, she said.

Hauser, who also met

with members of Canadian Friends of Peace Now while in Toronto, discounted Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir's proposed elections in the territories if they lead only to talks on "autonomy."

Giving Palestinians "the right to collect garbage" is not enough.

Granting that the major Israeli political parties do not agree on an approach to the issue, Hauser predicted "a blow up" of the unity government in the near future.

She speculated there may even be "a blow up in which the faction (led by Defence Minister Yitzhak Rabin) will leave the Labor Party and move over to Likud, in which case all the left parties will regroup behind Labor...That's a very real possibility."

"Clearly the status quo in Israel is not going to hold. The tensions now inside Labor are too severe," she said.

The flux in the Israeli-Palestinian situation is attributable to the intifada, which led to a "fundamental change in PLO policy."

Pressure on Israel to respond politically is also building. U.S. President George Bush has said Israel must end its "occupation" while French President Francois Mitterrand, a friend of Israel, is planning to meet with Arafat.

The recent solidarity conference in Jerusalem of

1,600 Jews from around the world "did not play well for Shamir," Hauser said, since some who attended did not agree with his political program.

And Foreign Minister Moshe Arens was recently told by U.S. Jewish leaders not to expect them to try to convince the U.S. government to reverse its dialogue with the PLO, since the PLO had met the American preconditions for talks.

The American Jewish leadership also realize "the Shamir line is not selling in Congress" or in U.S. public opinion. Even U.S. Jews are disturbed by Israel's policies.

Opinion polls, she said, show that American Jews see the U.S.-PLO dialogue as a constructive step.

When asked if Jews or others should be offering advice regarding a conflict in which they are not directly affected, Hauser stated that anyone has the right to criticize or speak out in any terms they wish.

"Secondly, I feel very deeply that Jews all over the world have more than a right, they have an obligation to speak out if they sincerely believe the policies of the Israeli government is following are wrong...and I believe the Israeli policies of the day are wrong and I think it's our duty to say so."

But if your advice is

wrong, you don't have to pay the price, she's asked.

"So what? Did that stop people from saying things about Vietnam. I mean, countries of the world criticized us and urged us to change our policy in Vietnam even though they weren't sending soldiers there to die.

"That's a fatuous argument. You only have a right to talk about a conflict if you're dying in it? On that theory, we'd have no interest in anybody's conflict."

"The cat is out of the bag now. It started with the Lebanon war...the first break in Diaspora Jewry. Many saw the folly of (former Defence Minister Ariel) Sharon's approach, the error in the war...Then the 'Who is a Jew' controversy gave them another excuse for criticizing Israel. And now with the change in American policy there is an open and public debate...of what are the next steps to be taken."

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Nation's businesses said forced to find new markets

Former banker bullish on Israeli economy

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

The Palestinian uprising in the territories has not had a significant negative impact on the Israeli economy — in fact the opposite may be true, with Israel experiencing long term economic benefits, the country's former chief banker said recently.

The onetime governor of the Bank of Israel, Moshe Mandelbaum — that country's equivalent to Canada's John Crow — said the intifada has compelled Israeli businesses to look elsewhere for markets for their products.

Though Israel's gross domestic product fell 1½% due to fallout from the Palestinian intifada, the drop is only "temporary," Mandelbaum asserted, since manufacturers have already developed markets in other countries for Israeli goods.

The European Community, along with the United States, has purchased Israeli textiles, agricultural and consumer goods that might otherwise have been sold in the territories, he told The CJN.

Looking at it from a strictly economic perspective, the result of the intifada for Israel has meant increased exports and a broader market, Mandelbaum concluded.

From the Arab side, the intifada has had much more drastic economic repercussions. Arabs' standard of living has dropped 20%. Since the uprising began almost 17 months ago, Palestinians have boycotted Israeli products, closed their businesses in protest, and not appeared for work in Israel.

Though 60,000 Palestinians work in Israel, they comprise only 4% of the labor force, Mandelbaum said. About half came to work regardless of boycotts, he stated, and at any rate, most perform "cheap labor" whose costs can be saved by substituting capital intensive machinery in building trades.

For Mandelbaum, a member of the department of economics and business administration at Bar-Ilan University, developments in high tech industries is one of the Israeli economy's strong points. However, marketing those products abroad is another story.

Mandelbaum noted that Israel has a good economic infrastructure giving it natural economic advantages in research and development of high tech products. Though some 30% of the work force is highly educated, they work fairly cheap, he said.

That proficient work force has produced some innovative technologies in laser eye surgery, hearing aids and artificial kidneys. While in Toronto, Mandelbaum sought out Canadian businesspeople with the goal of entering joint ventures with an Israeli firm to market those products here.

Israel would provide the



Moshe Mandelbaum

high tech, Canada the market, he suggested.

While these industries are making inroads around the world, Mandelbaum said Israeli entrepreneurs are still hamstrung by a bewildering number of bureaucratic regulations and red tape that prevent the Israeli economy from performing at peak efficiency.

The mood among businesspeople in the Jewish state is to open the economy more to entrepreneurs, but a broad economic plan is needed to reform the system, he stated.

One of his goals during his 2-week trip to Toronto, Montreal and the United States was to drum up support for a new "think tank" for economists at Bar-Ilan University in Ramat Gan.

The Azrieli Institute for Research on the Economy of Israel is being developed as an Israeli version of the U.S.-based Brookings Institute, where highly respected thinkers will come for varying lengths of time, examine the Israeli economic scene, and devise policy papers to make the economy more efficient.

Tax reform, creating a climate for growth, devising ways to limit bureaucracy, trade-debt and currency-policy would all be studied and a grand economic strategy devised with all these in mind, he suggested.

The think tank, named for Canadian businessman/entrepreneur David Azrieli, would also examine ways Israel can best profit from the advantageous position it enjoys — having a free trade agreement with the United States, and with a similar arrangement with the European Community to take effect in 1992.

U.S. or other firms, by manufacturing products in Israel so as to meet European content requirements, could introduce those goods to Europe without paying the stiff tariffs that

would otherwise apply, Mandelbaum pointed out.

Turning to the current state of the Israeli economy, the former banker presented an optimistic picture, pointing to the country's success in reducing inflation from 800% in the early 1980s to about 16% today.

He noted that since 1985, the Israeli budget has been running with a 3% surplus, after having maintained a 15% deficit for many years. He said Israel's goal should be to reduce the government budget from its current 70% of gross domestic product to 60%, with the eventual goal of 45% of GDP.

To do that, he called for tax and expenditure reductions. Those budget cuts wouldn't necessarily lead to cuts in services, he maintained, since there is much inefficient bureaucracy that could be trimmed without affecting services.

He also called for a reduction, if not an end, to government intervention in the economy. Israel has much economic potential that is not being utilized because of the stultifying effect of government, he said.

Despite that, the economy has grown in recent years, with the standard of living jumping 25% over the past three years, including the 17 months of the intifada, when the growth rate slowed somewhat.

"We have the infrastructure," Mandelbaum said, "with a good labor force, management and technology. But we need more economic incentives to take more risks, to be more efficient."

"We need a detailed plan to change the system."

For more information about the Azrieli Institute, contact Canadian Friends of Bar-Ilan University, 4950 Queen Mary Rd., Suite 360, Montreal, or phone (514) 731-7893.

Canada's trade with Israel continues to increase, with the Jewish state in 1988 sending \$89.1 million (U.S.) in goods here, a 12% increase over the 1987 figure of \$79.6 million, according to figures provided by the Israel Economic Mission to Canada.

On the other side of the ledger, in 1988 Israel imported from Canada approximately \$127.3 million (U.S.) worth of goods, compared to a 1987 figure of \$122.6 million, an increase of almost 4%.

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Israeli drug report

TEL AVIV (JTA) —

About 200,000 persons use drugs in Israel, 20,000 of whom are addicted to hard drugs.

Those findings were reported by Chaya Heichal, national inspector of the Authority for the Fight Against Drugs in the Prime Minister's Office, at a study day on

drug addiction conducted last week at Ben-Gurion University of the Negev.

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Natives, Jews discuss concerns

Meeting helps dispel myths

By
DAVID LAZARUS

MONTREAL —

A desire by native Indians to sensitize Quebec cultural groups about its peoples was the chief inspiration for a recent meeting with Jewish community representatives that was declared a success by both parties.

The Native Friendship Centre, a support group for native Indians living in the city, sent out its first invitation to the Jewish community for its cultural exchange program, called a Fair Exchange.

As it happens, the Jewish community was picked first because Josianne Wanono, one of the associate directors of the centre, is Jewish, and the community seemed a logical first choice.

Participants agreed afterwards that the program turned out to be an informal and quite informative get-together and that it broke down a few of the assumptions and presumptions each community had about the other.

For Jack Jedwab, Canadian Jewish Congress community relations director for the Quebec Region, two of the benefits of the 90-minute session were that it allowed the two communities to exchange information and views and that it fit in well with his own department's mandate to meet with ethnic and cultural groups.

"We feel it's extremely important to take part in this type of outreach programming," he said. "I think this was one of the first such opportunities on their (the natives') part to meet with us."

A note of irony touched on by Jedwab was that the centre's location was only a short distance away from Congress headquarters yet the two groups had never touched base.

The centre's information and referral counselor, Christine Metallic, was also enthusiastic after the meeting. She had never met a rabbi before (Rabbi Reuben Poupko of the Beth Israel Beth Aaron Synagogue), and she was struck by the number of preconceived notions each of the communities held about the other.

Jedwab found that both

groups shared a "gut" emotional attachment to their respective heritages, but native groups possessed a bond to the land they live on that Jews in Canada do not know, in large measure due to their "migratory" history.

On the other hand, like the Jewish community, native Indians also have developed their own schools as a way to preserve their culture and heritage.

And both communities know what it's like to be discriminated against, the meeting brought out.

Jedwab noted differences between the two groups in integrating into society. He said that while Jews and Indians have in common the natural desire to express their identities, each has not been entirely successful in appreciating the others' diversity.

The obvious danger with that is that communities are then perceived as "monolithic," said Jedwab. He said it is "fair to say" that each of the communities has come to believe certain "myths" and "stereotypes" about the other, although he didn't feel it to be at a "disturbing level."

What is important, Jedwab thought, is for the Jewish and Indian communities to recognize the other's uniqueness yet appreciate the common concerns shared by all minorities, such as the threat of assimilation.

Poupko, who is also a CJC Quebec region vice-chairman, thought the native Indians displayed a healthy curiosity about the Jewish community, and expressed the hope that CJC could conduct similar meetings with other cultural groups.

Metallic particularly enjoyed Poupko's presentation, finding it informative and entertaining. She was impressed by the fact that "he didn't talk down to us," and felt her and members' knowledge and appreciation of the Jewish community improved as a result of the exchange.

The centre's executive director, Ida Williams, also took part in the program, and Metallic said among the other cultural groups visiting the centre

during upcoming monthly sessions will be the Chinese, Black, Italian and Greek communities.

Both the Jewish and Indian representatives acknowledged that exposure to one another's communities has been limited and

that future get-togethers would be constructive.

One suggestion put forward was a "mini-conference" in which other cultural groups would also be included, as a way to broaden participation in such endeavors.

Stratford to prep students for Shylock

By
PAUL LUNGEN
TORONTO —

Students attending the Stratford Festival's presentation of the Merchant of Venice this fall may do so after a preparatory lecture to introduce them to the question of anti-semitism raised by the play.

That's one of the strategies being considered by Festival employees which will likely be mooted in an upcoming meeting with Canadian Jewish Congress education director Bernie Farber.

Representatives of the Festival agreed to meet with Congress in mid-May after the Jewish organization expressed its concerns over matinee presentations to impressionable school children of the Shakespeare classic.

The 1984 presentation of the play was marred for many kipa-clad Jewish students from Toronto's Yeshivat Bnei Akiva Or Chaim when they were pelted by pennies, candies and gum after the performance.

The play in recent years has also raised controversy in the Kitchener-Waterloo area and is no longer being taught to some grades 9 and 10 classes because of anti-semitic incidents that resulted from it.

A major character in the play is Shylock, a Jewish moneylender whose price for a defaulted loan is a pound of human flesh from the borrower.

It was concern with possible future manifestations of anti-semitism that prompted Congress to request a meeting with Stratford officials to help devise a strategy to pre-

pare students for the play.

Pat Quigley, education liaison for the Stratford Festival, said she may suggest that prior to the matinee performances, students be addressed in a way that "sensitizes them to the issues in the play, so they would have a better understanding of the Jewish issue in it."

Anti-semitism would be addressed with reference to the play and students asked "to identify with what it's like to be objectified — to be labeled with certain characteristics — as in the play."

She also suggested that Farber might prepare an article to be carried in the Festival's newsletter, which would be distributed to about 7,000 schools, and which would give advice how to prepare students for the show.

Some teachers, she stated, do not do so, although "most are sensitive in teaching works of literature."

She said Farber might also be invited to participate in a panel discussion at an upcoming teachers' convention, to discuss ways they might address the issue.

For Farber, a major point raised by the play is "the severe pain to Jewish students."

He believes it is necessary to develop a "package of information" for teachers, to aid them in discussing the Merchant of Venice with students.

The "package" would suggest ways of "putting the character Shylock in perspective," and include "an historical analysis of the times."

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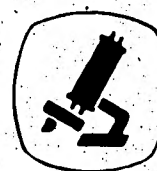
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SCHILDKRAUT — PERLMUTTER

Joseph Schildkraut was one of the pillars of the Yiddish theatre in New York. In seeking the meaning of the name, the word "Kraut" (German for cabbage) points to research in the vegetable garden. This would prove to be fruitless (no pun intended) because of the misspelling of the name, which was originally SCHILDKROT. This means tortoise-shell, a material used by jewellers.

A more familiar name in the same category is PERLMUTTER — mother of pearl.

Cuba's Jews get Pesach food

TORONTO —

Cuba's Jewish community recently received its annual shipment of special foods for Pesach, Dr. Jose Miller, president of Cuba's Jewish community has announced.

Since 1961 Canadian Jewish Congress has been sending religious requisites, including Passover supplies, to Cuba's Jewish community. This has been considered a special mitzvah since the community is relatively isolated.

CJC officials point out that the Cuban government has been understanding of the need its Jewish community has for the religious items and has been helpful concerning the delivery of Passover supplies.

Funds raised for this project come from CJC's Ontario Region. The program was conducted by Dr. Yehuda Lipstiz, executive director of the CJC, Ontario Region, and National Projects Coordinator Barbara Roberts.

Mermelstein wins court judgment

Survivor makes U.S. Holocaust deniers pay

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

The image of his mother and two sisters being led to the Auschwitz gas chambers is seared in Mel Mermelstein's memory.

They, like countless other Jews, were perfunctorily "selected" upon their arrival at the Nazi death camp and then immediately herded to their deaths.

Forty years later, Mermelstein felt he had no choice but to respond when the Holocaust-denying Institute for Historical Review cynically offered a \$50,000 reward if he could prove Jews were killed in gas chambers.

Mermelstein, a businessman in Long Beach, Ca. who survived Auschwitz and a January, 1945 "death march" to Gross-Rosen camp, had his lawyer draft an acceptance of the IHR's offer with notice giving it 30 days to pay.

The IHR didn't, and Mermelstein entered history as the man who sued — and won — a judgment against Holocaust deniers for breach of contract and who made them pay through their pocketbooks for the anguish they created.

Mermelstein was recently in Toronto to address the Jewish Civil Rights Educa-



Mel Mermelstein

tional Foundation of Canada. During his visit, he told The CJN he had "no choice" but to respond to the IHR letter.

"That letter was filled with threats that if I didn't respond in a timely manner, they would expose me as a hoaxster. 'They picked on the wrong Jew. That's their problem.'"

Mermelstein sued for the \$50,000 reward, and for \$17 million more, claiming damages "for the intentional infliction of emotional distress." His lawyer, Bill Cox, also sued on the somewhat novel grounds in U.S. law of "intentional denial of established fact."

(In Canada, Holocaust-denier Ernst Zundel, who has ties to the IHR, was charged in 1985 for the criminal offence of publishing lies (false news)

denying the Holocaust. Mermelstein's case was a civil suit.)

After further negotiations that whittled down Mermelstein's claim to \$1 million, the case went to court, where his lawyer made a motion asking the judge to take judicial notice of the Holocaust.

That legal concept, which was later applied in Zundel's second trial, allows a judge to accept as a fact an event that is so well established there is no need for proof of it in court.

The defendants, which included the IHR, the Liberty Lobby and Willis Carto, eventually agreed to a court "stipulated judgment" for \$90,000. The defendants also publicly apologized to Mermelstein "and all other survivors of Auschwitz for the pain, anguish and suffering he and all other Auschwitz survivors have sustained relating to the \$50,000 reward offer for proof that 'Jews were gassed in gas chambers at Auschwitz.'"

Looking back on the lengthy legal battle, Mermelstein would not hesitate to repeat it again, even if, as then, he would receive no help from the major Jewish organizations in California. They would not aid him unless they could control the important deci-

sions in the case, Mermelstein said, though he felt they did not really want to pursue the matter. "They were afraid: 'What if you lose?' " was their attitude, he suggested.

Using his own funds and with help from survivors' groups, Mermelstein took on the Holocaust deniers.

His reason for doing so is simple.

"You're dealing with someone who lived through the death camps...who came through a sole survivor, who was urged by his father to tell what they did to us."

"I didn't become a murderer, a rock thrower. 'I haven't lost faith in the justice system and if someone does me wrong, I'll sue.'"

Mermelstein's confrontations with Carto, the IHR and the Liberty Lobby didn't end with the 1985 court judgment. He is still involved in litigation against them. This time he is suing for defamation based on a remark he said they made against him and Nobel Prize winner Elie Wiesel, in which the two were called "demonstrable frauds."

That suit is still in the works, but this time Mermelstein is being assisted by the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith.

For Mermelstein, who

shows steely resolve behind his outwardly mild manner, the statements by Holocaust-deniers are "all tied into...trying to create emotional distress (for survivors). It's like cutting into your flesh, pouring salt into your wounds. For that, they're going to pay."

"This is the only way

you can shut these (people) up," he continued.

"They're scared. You're digging into their pocketbooks."

Mermelstein, 62, maintains that "if you stop going after them, they'll raise their flags higher and higher and convince those

who don't know that the Holocaust was a hoax."

Mermelstein's story has so captivated the public's imagination, that Leonard Nimoy, the Jewish actor/director who appeared in Star Trek, is planning a television movie about the survivor's life.

Soviet Jews celebrate Pesach in 2 languages

STOCKHOLM (JTA) —

Jews in the Soviet Union celebrated Passover with a new Haggadah in Russian and Hebrew, published by Moscow's Choral Synagogue with the help of the Memorial Foundation for Jewish Culture.

It is the first Haggadah printed in the Soviet Union since the Russian Revolution. A total of 10,000 copies were printed and were distributed to members of the Choral Synagogue in Moscow and to worshippers in synagogues throughout the Soviet Union, according to Lord Jakobovits, president of the Memorial Foundation, and Philip M. Klutznick, chairman of the executive committee.

Rabbi Adolph Shaye-

gogue reported on the publication at a meeting of the Memorial Foundation in Stockholm, Sweden. The Moscow rabbi attended the meeting as a full member — the first time Soviet authorities had granted permission to a Jewish religious functionary to participate formally in a meeting of a Jewish communal body outside the USSR.

Publication of the Haggadah was completed within three months of an historic agreement between Jerry Hochbaum, executive vice-president of the Memorial Foundation, and Konstantin Kharchev, chairman, Council of Religious Affairs of the USSR's Council of Ministers of Cults, under which the Foundation will

fund a variety of Jewish cultural and religious projects in the Soviet Union and train religious functionaries in Israel and other countries.

Other Jewish books and educational materials will be published in Russian and Hebrew by the Choral Synagogue with the help of the Memorial Foundation under a joint publishing program known as Chinuch.

Pirke Avot — Ethics of the Fathers — is to be published as the second book in this series soon.

Delegates from five continents participated in the 2-day conference of the Foundation's Joint Committee on the International community Service Scholarship Program and Dispersed Jewish Communities.

A Message from Moshe Ronen

As a candidate for Congress Chairman, I feel very strongly that Congress has a full role to play in the life of our national community.

Over the years, I've been active in both Congress and the community. I've worked at everything from lobbying for disabled access at synagogues to lecturing at universities. I have developed the skills and the experience that will help Congress fully play its role as the Parliament of Canadian Jewry.

We need to ensure that Congress reflects the face of Canadian Jewry, helps us build our unity, and furthers the unity of Jewry worldwide.

We need to build consensus within Congress. The critical issues we face as Jews often divide us. It is not always easy for us to work in unity. As Chairman of the Community Action for Israel Committee in Ontario, and

as a member of the National Executive of Congress, I believe I've demonstrated the ability to bring all groups and all shades of opinion together.

As your Congress Chairman, I will work with other Executive team members to reach our common goals and to develop a closer working relationship with the federations. I will ensure that we have a full, fair discussion in determining what our goals should be.

I will work together with all our communities across the country to bring them into the mainstream of Canadian Jewish life.

I believe that I have the energy and the commitment to help build a strong, unified Congress that works for and with our whole community.

I ask for your support.

Moshe Ronen

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Talking to thugs

The government of Canada is now or will shortly be in conversation with the PLO, a terrorist collective dedicated to the proposition, despite its cosmeticized rhetoric, that the destruction of Israel is a sacred obligation.

In his recent book *The Closed Circle: An Interpretation of the Arabs* (Harper & Row) British journalist David Pryce-Jones says that the PLO "has killed some tens of thousands of people by now, only a relatively small number of whom are Israeli or Jewish, though these include many schoolchildren and a 69-year-old cripple thrown in his wheelchair off a liner at sea."

"The world has grown accustomed to pictures on television and in the newspapers of Arabs strewing corpses in their wake, throwing bodies out of aircraft on runways, driving cars with high explosives to kill anyone who might happen to be within reach, placing bombs in markets and shops."

The major purveyors of this mayhem have been members of the PLO or their disciples. Now Canada's diplomats are entering into dialogue with the most sinister terrorist organization in history. We think it dishonors the good name of our country to be consorting with thugs.

Thugs like Abdellatif Abu Hijeh, the PLO representative who spoke to the United States ambassador in Tunisia, Robert H. Pelletreau. Hijeh was the head of the PLO office in Khartoum and was responsible, says Prof. Stuart C. Miller (New York Times, March 28) for the murder of Cleo Noel, the American ambassador to the Sudan.

Thugs like Yasir Abed Rabbo, the architect of the 1974 Maalot massacre in which PLO terrorists, dressed in Israeli uniforms, murdered 27 Israelis, including 22 children — an event celebrated in Palestinian circles as a triumph!

Thugs like Mohammed Abbas, Pelletreau's first PLO interlocutor, the man who planned the hijacking of the Achille Lauro and who engaged in an international obscenity when he mocked the death of Leon Klinghoffer when he spoke to a press conference in Europe in December of 1988.

Thugs finally, like Yasser Arafat himself. No amount of Madison Ave. attempts to launder Arafat's reputation (and there have been many) will ever remove the taint of terrorist violence which he has promoted against Israel and the free world in word and deed. The idea that the government of Canada would even consider admitting him into this country is incomprehensible and immoral.

Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir said in Washington during his recent visit: "One thing we can never forget is the kind of neighborhood we live in." Canada's move to upgrade its relations with the PLO has, unfortunately, brought that neighborhood closer to Canada.

A posthumous fame

One hundred and six years after his birth, Franz Kafka is finally enjoying a posthumous fame in his beloved Prague.

The author of *The Castle*, *The Trial*, *Amerika* and *Metamorphosis* will soon become a welcome literary figure as publishing houses in Czechoslovakia prepare to bring out new editions of his major works. Odeon, a large publishing firm, is preparing 40,000 copies of the latter, to be followed by the publication of his diaries and letters.

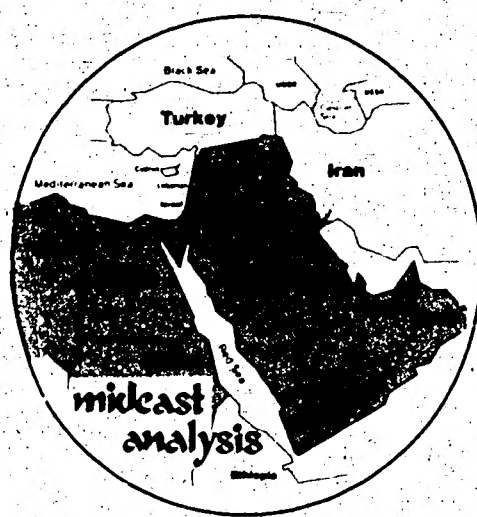
Interest in the German novels of this Prague-born Jew (who worked as an insurance claims adjuster) has been heightened by the discovery in 1968 of 32 new letters written by Kafka which were discovered in a used book shop. They will be published in German with Czech translations.

Czechoslovakia, in its Communist reincarnation, has always been skittish about Kafka's literary works, says John Tagliabue (New York Times, April 12), because they seem to have anticipated the "paranoia over faceless power and the atmosphere of emotional suffocation that . . . mirror conditions under Communism." The protagonists in Kafka's novels are always being victimized by brutal and callous bureaucrats who represent a cynical and all powerful government.

During the 1950s and later in the wake of the overthrow of Alexander Dubcek in 1968, Kafka was condemned as a decadent writer whose ideas were seen as "contrary to the interests of the Czechoslovakian people and consequently illegal." As a consequence of official disapproval, it has been virtually impossible to obtain Kafka's works in Prague, the very foyer of his creativity, even though the authorities claim that his works have never been suppressed.

It is significant that in 1989, Czechoslovakia, one of the most repressive of all the Communist regimes, is manifesting its own version of glasnost perhaps in response to the exhortations of Mikhail Gorbachev by permitting (if not encouraging) the publication of the classic works of one of its most illustrious native sons.

Early Palestine was ignored



By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

What was Palestine like before the advent of political Zionism, before the rebuilding of the national Jewish homeland?

To be more specific, what kind of a land was it at the end of the 18th century, when Palestine was "rediscovered" by the West?

After the Crusaders were driven out in the 13th century, Westerners all but lost interest in Palestine as it sunk into a long period of decline. Even Christian pilgrims from the West were no longer drawn to it. But then something happened, as explorers, scholars, diplomats, archeologists, missionaries and tourists descended on Palestine.

It would never be the same again. Naomi Shepherd, in *The Zealous Intruders: The Western Rediscovery of Palestine* (Collins, \$32.95), examines this phenomenon in her carefully researched, felicitously written book.

In the wake of Napoleon's disastrous invasion of Palestine in 1799, the country was more or less terra incognita to the majority of Westerners. Palestine was then part of the Ottoman Empire, administered by the governors of Acre and Damascus.

Although European traders frequented the ports, the interior, except for Nazareth, Jerusalem and Bethlehem, was hardly visited. Maps were unreliable, roads were practically nonexistent, pack animals were scarce, food and board were hard to come by in the countryside, and travellers could not be sure about the Bedouins, who terrorized just about everyone.

Most travellers from Europe during this era came as explorers and scientists. They were surely disappointed. Palestine had no great monuments to rival the Parthenon, no fabulous ruins comparable with Baalbeck, nor a single bazaar to match any in Cairo or Damascus.

The landscape was not inspiring either: a low and featureless coastline, barren hills, wide stretches of uncultivated plains exposed to a glaring sun. Yet Palestine was not without natural charms. The Sea of Galilee abounded in fish; there was an abundance of game (Shepherd writes that pheasants flew so low in the Galilee that they could be knocked down by a man with a stick), and crops — ranging from grapes and figs to olives and cotton — were cultivated.

Palestine was penetrated by Europeans seeking "evidence" of the accuracy of the Bible; by painters; by diplomats jockeying for political dominance; by missionaries whose goal in life was to Christianize the world.

The European powers made no attempt to challenge Ottoman control because they had no interest in disturbing the balance of power. But through their consuls and non-Moslem proteges, they exerted indirect control — monitoring the new Turkish reforms which were supposed to end discrimination against non-Moslems throughout the empire. Later, they enjoyed the extraordinary privileges of extraterritoriality, which caused immense resentment.

Missionaries began arriving in the second decade of the 19th century, bent on converting Moslems and Jews. The first Anglican bishop of Jerusalem, Michael Solomon Alexander, was a Polish Jew of German birth who had been a rabbi in Plymouth. Like his successors, he had little success in this self-appointed task.

Inhabiting the holy cities of Jerusalem, Safed, Tiberias and Hebron, the

Jews were by no means homogeneous. Sephardi Jews, holding Ottoman citizenship, resembled their Moslem neighbors and were less identifiable than the Ashkenazi Jews, whose clothes, language and habits were distinctively foreign. Living off overseas charity, under wretched conditions, European Jews were hated by the Greek Orthodox, suspected by the Moslems and bullied by the authorities. "They presented an unrelieved picture of human misery," she writes.

Between 1838 and 1882, the Jewish population grew from 8,000 to about 27,000. By 1870, Jews had become the largest single religious entity in Jerusalem: The 1837 earthquake in Tiberias and Safed, followed by a Druze rebellion, had prompted thousands of Jews to leave the Galilee for Jerusalem, while poverty and growing secularism persuaded ultra-Orthodox Ashkenazi Jews in Russia to settle in that increasingly crowded, dirty city.

Interestingly enough, the Jewish community was among the most accessible to Western travellers. Europeans had few contacts with Moslem notables, but many of the European consuls, agents, merchants, guides and interpreters were Jews.

Shepherd says that the arrival of hundreds of Christians as residents — missionaries, priests and colonists — changed the skyline of Palestine as churches and pilgrim hospices were built.

Among the Christians were German Templars, a sober, disciplined sect that believed that Palestine should be under Christian rule, and that German armies would be the instrument of a new Christian state in Lebanon and Syria, with Jerusalem at its centre.

The Templars set up model communities and, prior to 1882,

represented the largest and most established of all the foreign settlements in Palestine. They experimented with European farming methods, and showed the Jews that European colonies could succeed in a hostile environment. According to Shepherd, they had no interest in converting Jews. Their attitude toward Moslems was haughty and condescending.

Shepherd writes that the first organized tours to Palestine got under way in the 1850s, with Italian and French Catholic groups in the vanguard. Women were not permitted on these trips until 1868.

The first organized pleasure trip to Palestine was American in origin, planned in 1867 for a group of 150 travellers. Mark Twain wrote about it in *The Innocents Abroad*, saying that early romantic travellers had given readers a false impression of Palestine — which, he claimed, was arid, squalid, boring and depressing.

The tourist trade grew after that, largely through the efforts of Thomas Cook. Cook's Eastern Tours were inaugurated shortly before the opening of the Suez Canal in 1869, and Cook himself led the first party of adventurers.

From 1869 until 1882, Cook brought about 4,200 travellers to Palestine, and he claimed that they accounted for some two-thirds of all Western tourists going there.

Cook's tours combined visits to the Holy Places, the missions and their schools, and "biblical excavations." With a touch of amusement, Shepherd says the travellers carried not only maps but Bibles and hymn books, and sang as they went.

As Shepherd observes, they and others paved the way for the rediscovery of Palestine.



Jews pray at the Western Wall in Jerusalem, circa 19th century.

Opinion

*Soviet immigrant absorption could cost \$300 million***Projected mass aliya poses problems for Israel**By
CHARLES HOFFMAN

JERUSALEM (JPFS) —

The Israeli government and the Jewish Agency are barely able to cope with the absorption needs of the 2,000 Russian olim who came last year. The arrival of many thousands more, which may be a realistic prospect in the next year or two, poses a challenge that no one at the present time seems ready to handle.

Absorption Minister Yitzhak Peretz admitted as much to the cabinet recently. "Israel is not prepared now to handle mass aliya," Peretz said.

Recent projections of a major surge in Soviet aliya over the next few years have come at a bad time for the absorption authorities, who are deep in the throes of a shift to a new system based on "direct absorption." Changeovers of this sort tend to compound the expected confusion as a large batch of newcomers — perhaps as many as 10,000 a year — enters the country in search of housing, jobs and the security of a new life.

These problems will be even more acute, however, because for many Soviet olim, Israel represents their second choice. They will be coming with little if any Jewish or Zionist motivation, and with the disappointment of being denied entry to the U.S. as "refugees." In short, this crowd will be hard to please.

Most current government and Jewish Agency concern about absorption focuses on housing, both temporary and permanent. Public rental housing, which served as a prime tool in the absorption of the mass Russian aliya of the 1970s, will probably not be available in the future.

While everyone agrees that jobs are essential for proper absorption, there are no problems of major proportion to cope with in this sphere, as there are in housing. The general expectation seems to be that more money poured into conventional programs for job placement and retraining will solve many of the problems of a large-scale aliya.

The ministry of absorption has just completed a major review of the first two years of a limited experiment in direct absorption, a new system which is ultimately intended to channel most olim into rental housing instead of into absorption centres during their initial stay. According to the deputy director-general of the ministry, Ephraim Cohen, the review showed that there is much to improve.



Absorption Minister Yitzhak Peretz

"We have to work on several things right away," Cohen said. "the absorption grant given to olim has to be increased, so that they can afford to rent reasonable flats. Upanim have to be moved to central locations in the main cities, so that they are more accessible for the olim. In addition, there has to be an improvement in the procedures at Ben-Gurion airport for receiving the new olim and directing them to hotels or to other facilities."

Cohen seemed to be echoing the complaints of many olim and volunteers who work with them, when he said that "the system should follow the olim closely from the minute they arrive, and stay with them to get them over the initial period of shock in a new environment."

The ministry, he said, has initiated contacts with the olim associations to set up a system of "adoptive families," where veteran Israelis who speak the same language as the olim will help them with housing, jobs and schools. This will also entail setting up a training program for the volunteers, he adds.

The ministry realizes that many of the olim who are referred to hotels when they arrive have trouble finding a flat on their own. For direct absorption to work, Cohen said, it will be necessary to create a reservoir of rental flats waiting for the olim when they arrive. But as yet, there is no such reservoir on the horizon.

The biggest bottleneck in the system now is in the absorption centres, which are expected to function on a limited scale under direct absorption. There are 3,500 households in the centres — including hundreds of Ethiopian families — that have been there for years, mainly because the housing ministry has been unable to provide solutions matching their limited means.

Last November, the government and the Agency agreed that most of the centres would be closed by April 1990, when overall responsibility for absorption is supposed to shift to the government. But they can't be closed unless housing solutions are found for the residents.

For at least a year, the government and the Agency have been arguing over how to get these people out — and over who will pay for it. The treasury expects the Agency and the housing ministry to come up with the money from their own resources, and is not willing to commit any additional funds. Some recent progress towards a solution has stalled, however, because of a new dispute over money.

Three types of solutions for olim were worked out:

- Preferred mortgages, which are 10,000 to 20,000 shekels (\$5,500 - \$11,000) larger than regular mortgages, and which include a grant of 10,000 shekels.
- More flexible criteria for public housing, to enable a larger portion of olim to qualify.
- The Agency would cover the monthly payments for the first three years for olim who take out regular mortgages.

Amos Ungar, director-general of the housing ministry, said that if the Agency comes up with the promised money, the special housing solutions can be offered immediately to those in absorption centres. He added that these solutions can also be offered in the future to immigrants from countries of distress, such as those expected from the Soviet Union — but only if the Agency pays up.

Agency Director-General Moshe Nativ stated the Agency's share of the package was supposed to be \$28 million. Nativ admitted that "there is no money now to implement the plan." He ad-

ded, however, that there is nevertheless a steady exit of olim from the absorption centres that will clear some space for the greater number of Soviet Jews expected.

For its part, the Jewish Agency is now seriously reconsidering its agreement to transfer absorption to the government.

Confidence is waning, both among the Israeli and the Diaspora Agency leaders, that the government is capable of taking full responsibility and of giving absorption the high priority that it deserves. Skepticism about the feasibility of direct absorption, which was always rampant in the Agency aliya department, has spread to other sectors as well. When the Agency assembly convenes this June, it may decide to revoke the transfer agreement.

The aliya department is making plans as if the agreement were already dead. Several million dollars are being invested in renovating absorption centres where maintenance was neglected over the past few years. And a new absorption centre with 350 beds is to open within a few months in the centre of the country.

Department officials say that direct absorption alone can't handle the expected wave of Russian aliya, and that more absorption centres should be opened. To prepare for this, the department is now negotiating with hotels that can serve as absorption centres.

How much will the increased Soviet aliya cost — and who will foot the bill?

Nativ calculates that transportation, initial absorption and permanent housing for every olim from the Soviet Union costs between \$30-\$35,000. This does not include the cost of new investments to create jobs.

If the optimistic forecasts are realized and 10,000 Russian Jews come to Israel this year, the total cost for their absorption will be \$300 million, with one third borne by the Agency and the rest by the government. Even if only 5,000 arrive, the absorption costs for their first year, not including permanent housing, will be close to \$50 million.

"Passage to Freedom," the special campaign launched recently by the UJA, adopted a target of \$75 million, with most of the proceeds earmarked for resettlement in the U.S. and the transit facilities for Soviet Jews run by the Joint Distribution Committee in Italy. Even if the campaign reaches its target, this will not leave much for the Agency — \$15 million at most.

Secretary of state defends cautious diplomatic approachBy
WOLF BLITZER

WASHINGTON —

Secretary of State James Baker has strongly defended the Bush administration's decision to pursue a cautious step-by-step approach toward resolving the Arab-Israeli conflict.

Addressing the American Society of Newspaper Editors here recently, the secretary described Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir's call for Palestinian elections on the West Bank and Gaza as "a positive step."

Other U.S. officials said they have also been somewhat encouraged by the latest indications from the PLO that it might be prepared to try to reach an indirect agreement with Israel on the specific arrangements for such elections, including an acceptable form of outside supervision.

Baker, in carefully prepared remarks, acknowledged that the gap separating the Israeli and Arab positions remained very wide. "All we have to do, if I may interject here, is to read the newspapers to see how very much does remain to be done," he said. "The daily violence in the West Bank and Gaza, the stones thrown, the lives lost, are all adding to an already bitter legacy of hatred between Arabs and Israelis."

Yet the secretary still insisted that despite so many years of strife, "there is a very deep yearning on the part of all for peace."

But because "the substantive gap" is so wide, he continued, "and the atmosphere is far too clouded by violence, tension and mistrust," launching comprehensive negotiations right now is impossible.

"We have therefore been stressing for two months the need for a step-by-step process," he said. "Its purpose is to reduce tensions, to promote dialogue between Israelis and Palestinians, and to build an environment that can sustain negotiations on interim arrangements and permanent status."

The secretary said that Shamir, during his re-

cent talks in Washington, responded to this U.S. strategy.

"He (Shamir) made clear that the status quo was unacceptable," Baker said. "He also emphasized Israel's desire to advance a political process that might ultimately lead to a settlement. He proposed elections in the territories for Palestinian representatives prepared to negotiate an interim agreement. The process would culminate in negotiations on final status."

"And he said that in those negotiations all options would be open. All parties could bring their preferred positions to the table, and all of course would have to find the ultimate outcome acceptable. This, we think, is a positive step and a step that is worthy of further consideration and development."

Baker said the U.S. will continue to explore the election proposal with Israeli and Arab officials in the coming weeks. The purpose of the talks, he said, would be to decide "how we might build on them, how they fit into a larger picture of setting the stage for direct negotiations. We have embarked, if I may say so, on a step-by-step approach that fits our view of how to progress on this most difficult of conflicts."

Testifying before the Senate appropriations committee on April 13, the secretary also said that negotiations designed to work out the arrangements for the elections could take place even as the Palestinian uprising in the territories continues.

But he insisted that the actual holding of the elections required "a greater degree of calm and tranquility" in the territories.

Baker said the U.S. would continue its dialogue with the PLO despite recent statements by some PLO officials, including Farouk Kaddoumi, implying a 2-stage strategy to destroy Israel.

"We cannot, of course, expect the Arafat element of the PLO to control every dissident group out there," the secretary said.

Vultures circle overhead waiting for Arafat to fail

JERUSALEM (JPFS) —

On the surface, things look good for Yasser Arafat. In the last fortnight, he has been elected "president of Palestine" by the central council of the PLO (a smaller version of the Palestine National Council). He has a meeting lined up with French President Francois Mitterrand in Paris.

In Washington, U.S. President George Bush tried to convince Israel's Prime Minister to start a substantial dialogue with the Palestinians in the territories and abroad. The intifada in the West Bank and the Gaza Strip continues for the 16th month — an unprecedented achievement for the Palestinians.

Meanwhile, no less august a personage than Shlomo Hillel, former Speaker of the Knesset and an ex-minister of police, was one of a group of Knesset members to draw the attention of Minister of Police Haim Bar-Lev to the fact, that since the beginning of the intifada, Jerusalem has been a divided city.

But beneath the surface, there are increasing signs that Arafat's position is not as secure as it seems at first glance. Indeed, the Palestine Liberation Organization's head man will be in serious trouble, if his current moves do not show results within the next six months.

The vultures — George Habash and Naef Hawatmeh inside the PLO, the rejectionist Palestinian organizations and the Moslem fundamentalists outside it — are already circling overhead, waiting for the right moment to pounce.

And there are some signs that right moment is not very far away.

One of those signs is the attitude of the middle classes in the territories and East Jerusalem. The intifada only became an accepted fact of life in East Jerusalem and the territories when the middle classes, and especially the upper-middle classes, concluded they had nothing to lose by supporting it.

Since then, they have carried the uprising on their shoulders. City-dwellers are a minority in

the territories, but villagers cannot keep up the struggle without the support of their urban brethren. The situation seems to confirm the old theory that peasants cannot sustain a revolution without middle-class money. Middle-class professionals also add an element of respectability to the uprising.

But recently, the territories' middle classes have begun to feel the economic pinch which is one of the consequences of the intifada. The difficulties are enduring, as long as there is a feeling that a reward is coming at the end of the prolonged anguish. But the middle classes will not carry on forever; if nothing happens, they are bound to begin to draw away from the revolution.

In the meantime, the middle classes have heard that the second meeting between the PLO's representatives and the Americans was successful in the estimation of both sides.

In a way, the situation is absurd; the more Israel refuses to participate in negotiations with the PLO, the more goodwill Washington is obliged to show the organization.

The Americans may persuade the pragmatists in the PLO, headed by Yasser Arafat, to let Israel negotiate with local leaders from the territories. The locals would serve as the PLO's unofficial delegates in the interim stage, and pave the way for inclusion of the organization's officials in the second stage.

The Soviets and the Europeans, apparently will keep on trying to pressure the Israelis to negotiate. But none of them have yet made Jerusalem budge.

And if Israel does not budge, there can be no real movement. And without real movement, there is no guarantee how long the middle classes will endure.

But if the middle classes do not have a timetable, Dr. George Habash, the leader of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine, does. He's made it clear, again and again, that Arafat has six months to produce some results.

Opinion

Intifada has sullied Israel's image in Switzerland

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

GENEVA, Switzerland —

Israel's top two diplomats in Switzerland both agree that their country's image in this neutral haven has been sullied by the *intifada*.

Yehuda Horam, the ambassador in Bern, and Pinhas Eliav, the envoy to the European headquarters of the United Nations in Geneva, concur that the Palestinian uprising in the territories has resulted in a bad press for Israel.

In tandem with this development, several major Swiss travel agencies have cancelled their tours to Israel — thereby squelching the flow of Swiss tourists to Israel and heightening Israel's sense of isolation on the world stage.

Despite all this, Israel's bilateral relations with Switzerland remain correct and friendly, the ambassadors noted in separate interviews.

Referring to Swiss press coverage of the Palestinian insurrection, Eliav said: "The media are very much against us. They love to portray Israeli soldiers brutalizing Palestinians. The PLO position is portrayed with a lot of sympathy and understanding."

According to Eliav, the German, French and Italian media in this multilingual nation have been equally critical of Israel's handling of the *intifada*.

He is convinced that "an undercurrent of anti-Jewish feeling" animates journalists.

Horam, the former ambassador to Finland and the first Israeli resident envoy in South Korea, said that the drubbing Israel has absorbed by the Swiss media is far from unique.

As he put it: "Everywhere the image of Israel has eroded."

The media, he implied, sniff out sensation. "Tire burning (by Palestinians) seems more important than growing tomatoes in the Negev."

Having made this observation, he added: "I have never seen a perfectly objective journalist, or human being."

Horam claimed that the *intifada* has enhanced "understanding" for the Palestinian cause in Switzerland.

"I don't minimize any of this. It is a very important problem for Israel. Still, sensible Swiss with whom we talk understand it's easy to give advice to Israel and quite another thing to find a solution."

The turmoil in the territories, as reflected in the print and electronic media here, has affected tourism.

Four leading Swiss wholesalers — Kuoni, Hotelplan, Exco and Pimholtz — have dropped Israel from their 1989 tour catalogues because the Swiss public apparently considers trips to Israel too risky.

In 1987, some 50,000 Swiss travellers went to Israel. But the figure fell to 45,000 in 1988, and is expected to fall still lower this year.

David Eisenmann, the sales manager of Swissair in Israel, told *The Canadian Jewish News* at a travel marketing show in Bern that there has been a 7% decrease in overnight stays in Israel of late.

"Swiss people get the impression from the media that you can't take a safe holiday in Israel. Israel is not very 'in' at the moment."

In spite of this, Swissair's route to Ben-Gurion Airport is still one of its most profitable, said Meir Wagner, a hotelier and Swissair advisor.

Horam can detect no basic change in Switzerland's fundamentally cordial attitude to Israel. "There have been no quick turns, as elsewhere in Europe. Swiss policy is cautious. They have tried to understand us. They are not trying to give us advice. But, as a friend, they have given us their opinions."

The Swiss government, he disclosed, has not been "favorably impressed" by the reported infringements of human rights on the West Bank and the Gaza Strip. Switzerland, he said, has drawn Israel's attention to the Geneva Convention.

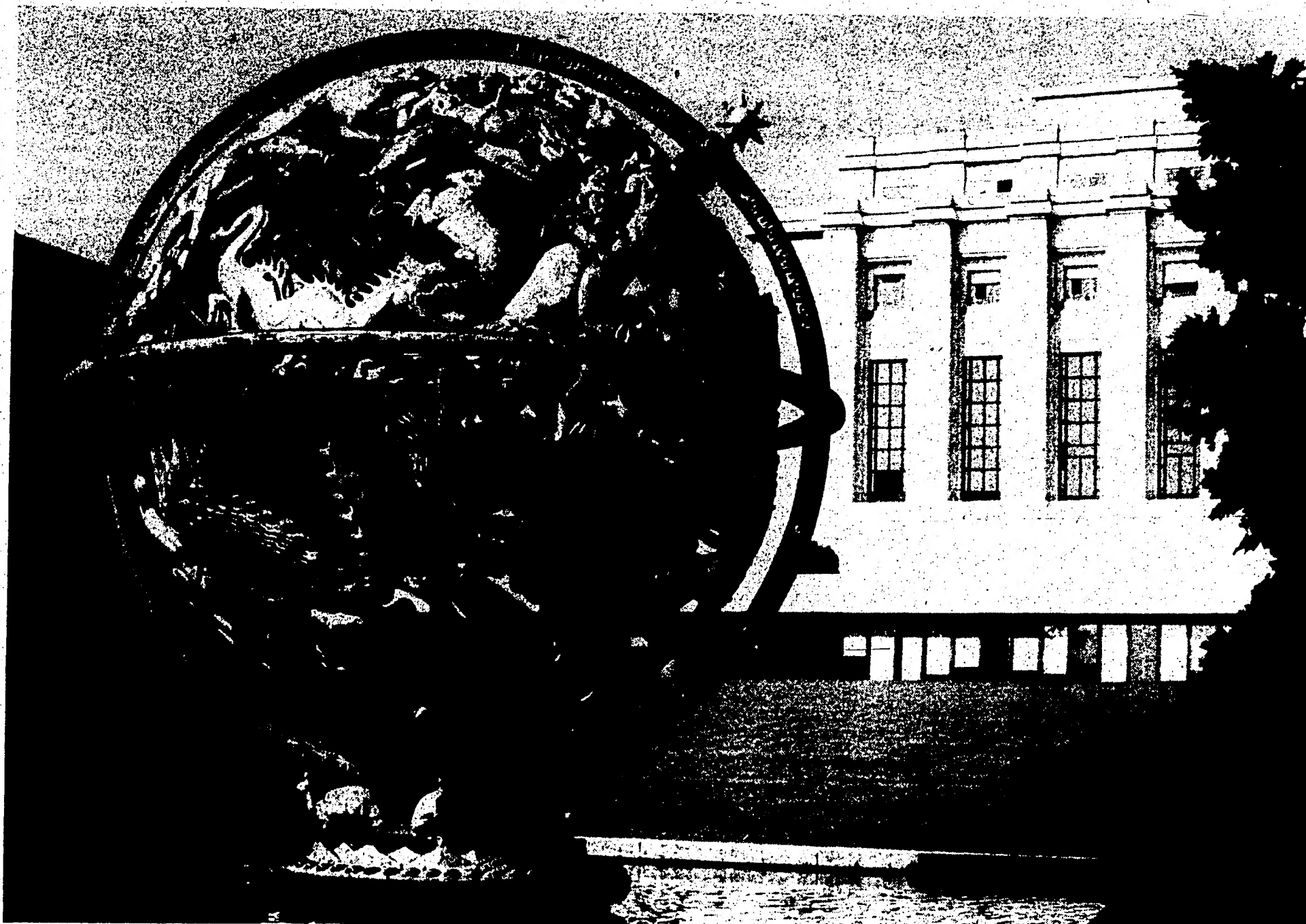
In Geneva, at the UN Human Rights Commission, which is housed in the old League of Nations building, Eliav has had his hands full defending Israel.

Israel's policies in the territories, southern Lebanon and the Golan Heights have been condemned repeatedly since 1988, and to Eliav's further disgust, a resolution condemning Iraq for deploying poison gas against its Kurdish citizens was "thrown out."

Eliav, however, recently deflected the chorus of criticism against Israel by introducing a motion on the problematical status of the Jewish community in Syria. "It was received sympathetically."

Although Bern has refrained from recognizing the Palestine National Council's proclamation of statehood in Algiers last November, Switzerland has advised Israel to talk to the PLO, informants said.

Switzerland, the nation in which Zionist leader Theodor Herzl outlined his program for a Jew-



United Nations European headquarters in Geneva.



Pinhas Eliav

ish state in Palestine, essentially recognizes the PLO. Last December, PLO chairman Yasser Arafat addressed the UN in Geneva, asserting his acceptance of Israel. The PLO's acting foreign minister, Farouk Kaddoumi, has been received by Switzerland's president.

Horam said that the *intifada* has not cut into Israel's lucrative commercial relationship with Switzerland. Despite the adherence of some Swiss companies to the Arab boycott against Israel, the volume of trade is approaching the \$1 billion mark, he pointed out.

Switzerland buys weaponry from Israel, including military electronic equipment, anti-tank missiles and teleguided reconnaissance planes. Asked to elaborate, Horam said he doesn't "deal" with such matters and, besides, is not at liberty to discuss them.

The Arab world is an important market for Switzerland, which is renowned for high-quality machinery, computers and chemicals. Recently, *The New York Times* reported that a Swiss firm, Krebs A.G., had helped Egypt expand its chemical warfare capability.

The newspaper said that Krebs had assisted Egypt in building a plant to manufacture poison gas.

Following this disclosure, the Swiss secretary for foreign affairs, Klaus Jacobi, officially asked Krebs to stop further delivery of materials to Egypt and halt all technical assistance.

Switzerland's neutrality in world affairs is generally respected. But in 1987, a Lebanese Shiite hijacker an Air Afrique plane, killed a French passenger and forced the aircraft to land in Geneva.

Several months ago, in a court in Lausanne, the hijacker, Hussein Ali Mohammed Hariri, was

sentenced to life imprisonment for air piracy and murder.

Switzerland has not been the object of a Palestinian terrorist attack since 1970. In that year saboteurs placed a bomb on a Swissair plane bound for Tel Aviv. The plane exploded in midair, killing everyone aboard. In 1969, Palestinian gunmen attacked an El Al aircraft in Zurich, and the Israeli security guard who fired on the terrorists got a one year prison term for his trouble.

Last November, Peter Winkler, a Swiss national employed by the International Red Cross in Lebanon was kidnapped. Before he was finally released, the Red Cross, citing threats to its staff, suspended all operations in Lebanon — the first time in the organization's history that it had totally withdrawn from a country.

The Winkler incident has had no discernible effect on efforts by Israel's Magen David Adom to gain recognition from the Geneva-based International Red Cross.

"It will be very difficult, but we aren't giving up hope," said Horam. "We're trying, but for the time being the response is not exactly positive."

Despite this impediment in Israel's relations with the Red Cross, Israel has every reason to be on good terms with it.

The Red Cross has been very helpful in arranging Arab-Israeli prisoner-of-war exchanges and it has facilitated the emigration of Jews from certain inhospitable countries.

Silence after female attacks scandalous

By
ELAINE KAHN

I wasn't going to write about the recent violent attacks by Jews on Jewish women praying at the Kotel, because events may overtake *The CJN's* early Pesach deadlines.

But, the way the violence has escalated since last fall, some woman could, God forbid, get killed, and, ever the nonconformist, I'm not going to wait until that happens before saying something. The general silence of our community leaders so far (it's April 10), including our religious leaders, is beyond scandalous.

Maybe by the time you read this, a wide variety of Jewish leaders across Canada will have finally expressed their outrage at this brutality — unless of course they're too busy booking tickets to Israel to join in the great fun of throwing chairs and fruit and other wonderful missiles at Jewish women.

Oh gosh, I've probably insulted someone. But, gosh golly, aren't we the people who are experts in the theory that silence means approval and complicity?

No? Really? Okay then, we can all pretend not to notice that the response has been a touch slower than if a group of Palestinians had attacked a group of Jewish men praying at the Wall or a band of haredim had attacked a praying contingent of Reform rabbis or something (because it is, of course, true that the only people, regardless of sex, who can pray as they might wish at the Kotel, are Orthodox people).

Maybe our leaders will prove more sensitive than American Jewish leaders who, I read, are concerned because of what the violence says about the rise of ultra-Orthodoxy, but somehow miss the point that this is actually, first, about physically injuring Jewish women gathered in prayer at Judaism's holiest site.

Unless women are not Jews — this point does appear to be a bit hazy.

Note the use of "prayer service" as opposed to "minyan." In order to keep strictly within an Orthodox halachic framework, none of the services held by this group of women has included prayers for which one needs a minyan. Technically then, they have been prayer and study ses-

sions. Once again, and in an ironic form, the tactic of appeasing Orthodoxy has failed, but that's another story.

I read in *The Jerusalem Post* that the women were warned before their Tanit Esther service that, because it was likely to cause a public disturbance, the police would arrest them if they did not disperse. Did you get that? It is now an offence for Jewish women to pray together in a group at the Kotel.

Unless you subscribe to the idea that, if one is a feminist, like these women, one is asking to be roughed up.

Naturally, these women, besides praying, are making a political statement. But I can't think of any Jew at the Wall since 1967 who has not been making a political statement and I think the wording is the same: "This Wall is mine. No one will ever take it away from me again."

I'm trying to figure out what to do on my next trip to Israel. I can either approach the Kotel as an anthropologist or I can go there to pray, in which case I feel it would be politically necessary to wear my tallit.

But I usually like to stay out of emergency wards when on vacation.

Opinion

Must never forget "rich" East European Jewish civilization**Yom Hashoa is a time to weep again**By
J. B. SALSBERG

There are historians who suggest that the common memory of a people is a major ingredient in the shaping of the national consciousness of that people. The millennial-old Jewish experience would seem to support that theory.

We barely managed to store away the Passover dishes, to unpack them again a year later, when we will again celebrate the Exodus from Egyptian slavery that occurred, according to common belief, thousands of years ago. Then we don the garments of mourning to recall the tragic loss of six million, a third of our people, in the Hitler Holocaust that occurred during the Second World War, only some 40 years ago.

However, no one will suggest that the annual Holocaust memorial reaches more than a small section of Jewish society everywhere.

That is a most disturbing phenomenon!



J. B. Salsberg

How can so many of us forget so soon the inhuman murder of a third of our people only on the ground that they were Jews?

With the single exception of Israel, where Holocaust Remembrance Day is a national day of mourning, the rest of world Jewry marks that national tragedy in a relatively routine fashion, if at all.

Do we forget that the Holocaust was the result of a fiendish Nazi plan to exterminate an entire people, our people, and that millions of those people, yours and mine, members of your family and mine, were actually slaughtered by the inhuman Nazi beast?

Sometimes I think that our younger generation has not been adequately informed of the enormity of the crime committed against our people, against our family trees that were hewed down mercilessly.

What also troubles me lately is the feeling that we haven't provided our younger generation with an adequate appreciation of the magnitude of our loss when the centuries-old Jewish communities of Eastern Europe were annihilated.

Too many of our youth think of the "old country," from whence their parents or grandparents came, as one big mass of backwardness and poverty. Such an image would be a total distortion of fact.

Yes, most Eastern European Jews were poor, but so were the majority of non-Jews in the villages and towns. But even when suffering of poverty, restrictions and persecutions, Jewish religious, cultural, and social life was immensely rich.

Indeed, there are Jewish cultural and social scientists who speak of East European Jewry as creators of an "East European Jewish civilization."

It's there where great Jewish religious, cultural and social institutions and movements were born. Chassidism, Zionism, Jewish socialism, Labor Zionism, Hebrew and Yiddish literature came to life there and pulsated with vigor until the Holocaust plague destroyed so much of it.

In Leo Rosten's *The Joys of Yiddish* I recently found the following quotation from the Irish historian, W. E. H. Lecky who, when dealing with the Middle Ages says: "While those around them were grovelling in the darkness of besotted ignorance... the Jews were still pursuing the path of knowledge, amassing learning and stimulating progress..."

Yes, Eastern European Jewry was not a stagnant pool of backwardness. On the contrary —

despite its economic hardship and despite the stimulated anti-semitism among the ignorant and backward of the native populations, Jewish spiritual and cultural life in Eastern Europe was rich and dynamic until the Hitler hordes inundated that part of the world and cruelly, inhumanely destroyed the millions of East European Jews and their civilization, the East European Jewish civilization.

Why am I paining you with such soul-searching reminders of our tragical recent past? Frankly, because I want to arouse our youth to the enormity of our people's suffering during the Holocaust period.

That is my first objective. The second objective is to provide our youth with a glimmer of the East European Jewish civilization that existed in the pre-Hitler days in the countries of Eastern Europe. They were culturally-rich communities that existed for hundreds of years.

This information will, I hope, incline our youth to participate in the Holocaust commemoration events that will now be underway in every Jewish community in the country.

Yes, my young friends, there is much to remember; much to recite at our community memorial gatherings and much to weep about.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Letters are welcome if they are in English or French, no more than 175 words, typewritten with lines double spaced, and of interest to our readers. We reserve the right to edit and revise letters for the sake of clarity and length. Every letter must bear the sender's address, phone number and both handwritten and typed signature.

TORONTO VS. MONTREAL LETTERS

I just surveyed a sample of letters recently published in The CJN: Of 38 letters, 32 were from Toronto and only six from Montreal. This should mean you receive about 5.3 times as many letters from Toronto as you do from Montreal.

Subject to sampling error, I can state with 95% confidence that the Toronto to Montreal ratio is at least 2.9 — still very large.

Do Torontonians write more? Or is it that their letters get published more often? Please explain.

I. S. Alalouf

Montreal

Editor's note: Why? Because Torontonians send us more letters. But it varies. This week, for example, 40% of our letters came from Montrealers — far more than usual.

KAHN, YOU AIN'T ASTUTE!

It is such a relief to finally read of others (Letters, March 23) who find Elaine Kahn's articles "tasteless and ignorant."

I am constantly astounded by Kahn's self-righteous and haughty attitude, which, until now, one would only expect from the most gifted and astute thinkers of our day.

With all due respect, Ms. Kahn, I fear, you are not among them!

Marion Smith

Edmonton

WARNER DIAMOND IN ROUGH

Re John Podlog's March 30 letter knocking Sheldon Kirshner's clear, lucid, well-written book review mentioning the crudities of Hollywood mogul Jack Warner:

I feel that anyone who slams Warner as nothing but an uncouth Jew ought to get lost fast.

I worked for Warner at his Hollywood studio in 1940 when I was a film and stage electrician. It was discovered then that some s.o.b. had crayoned all over the walls of one of the men's toilets graffiti about Nazis and Jews.

On hearing this, Warner immediately stopped production at great cost and gave a great half-hour speech to all of the assembled studio workers about the dignity of tolerating other people's religion.

He then invited any of the unknown "Ratzis" to go to his office and he'd give them a free 1-way ticket to "Ratziland." No questions asked.

Uncouth or not, he was a great Jew. So he belched, maybe passed wind, and so on, but I still remember this occasion. A diamond in the rough!

John Frackl

Montreal

PL.O'S "PIECE MEAL" PEACE

Neville Chamberlain promised: "Peace in our time." We know the result!

If Arab leaders are sincere about peace, why are none of them calling for an end to the throwing of rocks and molotov cocktails?

If any group in Canada embarked on a similar course of violence, one would expect the army and police to take whatever forceful measures would be necessary to quell the threat to peace and order.

Surely there is no lack of forums for the Palestinians to discuss their grievances and aspirations in a peaceful way.

Rocks and fiery cocktails hurled by juveniles acting as sacrificial surrogates to win sympathy from TV audiences do not convey a message of peaceful intent. On the contrary, a perceptive observer would have to conclude that violence is still the credo of the PLO and the destruction of Israel its ultimate goal.

Arafat's "peace" process is a process for the destruction of Israel piece by piece.

Alexander Epstein

Toronto

RAPS OVERT MAIL MESSAGE

For the second time in recent months, I have received mail with an overt message on the outside envelope: "Outbreaks of a virulent new strain of anti-semitism around the world confront you with a choice. Urgent: Early reply requested."

The letter is from the Friends of Simon Wiesenthal Centre for Holocaust Studies.

I have no problem with this group's efforts at raising funds for such a worthy cause as the Wiesenthal Centre.

However, its message should be kept private inside the envelope.

I believe that such overt advertising can aggravate the problem of anti-semitism as opposed to reducing it.

My non-Jewish friends' reactions to the envelope's message have not been favorable. Even some of my Jewish friends have been turned off. Of all places, the Wiesenthal Centre — engaged in the sensitive study of the Holocaust, of which my father is a survivor — should know better.

Belinda Silberman

Toronto

JEW'S SHOULDN'T SMEAR JEWS

On reading the March 30 article, "Missing chassidic rabbi located," taken from the New York Jewish Week, I had the feeling that we Jews sometimes don't need any outside enemies.

This story seemed like a classic example of an anti-semitic throwing together a few conflicting rumors over the death of a Jew, in order to smear Jews.

It insinuated that the drowned rabbi had been "hounded by Satmar Jews who have been implicated in loan-sharking cases that have allegedly ended violently."

When articles ridiculing Jews were written in a Montreal Outremont newspaper and also in La Presse not so long ago, we saw groups such as B'nai B'rith and Canadian Jewish Congress come forward to protest and offer help, in a wonderful display of Jewish unity.

The fact that the story about the rabbi may have been written by a Jew for a Jewish publication does not make it less reprehensible.

Doreen Glassman

Montreal



Frances Hyland, as a Jewish matriarch, and Errol Slue, as her chauffeur, co-star in *Driving Miss Daisy*.

PROTESTS "JEWESS" USAGE

I object to the head over Frank Rasky's recent review of the play, *Driving Miss Daisy*: "Frances Hyland plays a Jewess who's devoid of Jewish juices."

I agree with a passage from Harry Golden's book, *You're entitled*, published in the 1960s, which maintained that "Jewess" and "Negress" were both used in a negative sense, directed against minority groups.

I quote him as follows:

"Thus 'Jewess' and 'Negress' are like lioness and tigress."

"Anna Magnani says, 'I am an Italian,' and Vivien Leigh says, 'I am English' and the chairman of the Woman's Guild at Christ and Holy Trinity says, 'I am an Episcopalian.' No one says, 'I am an Italianess,' 'I am an Englishess' or 'I am an Episcopalianess.'"

Sidney Z. Handel

Regina

HITS UNION DUES MISUSE

A recent ruling by the Ontario Court of Appeal means that a landmark challenge by Merv Lavigne to the use of forced union dues for politicking is likely headed for the Supreme Court of Canada.

Lavigne objects to being compelled through forced union dues to support political causes, such as the NDP, that he opposes.

In 1985, Lavigne challenged the constitutionality of this practice in the Supreme Court of Ontario, and a year later it ruled in his favor.

On Jan. 31, however, the Ontario Court of Appeal overturned that ruling.

The Appeal Court said, in effect, that unions

were free to use forced dues to support any cause no matter how extreme. It also said that forcing a worker to pay dues to a union wasn't forcing him to associate with it.

The Financial Post, in a Feb. 6 editorial, said that these "contortions of reasoning... leave one winded."

Merv Lavigne is not a quitter and he has vowed to take the case to the Supreme Court of Canada.

For the sake of the fundamental rights and freedoms of all Canadian workers forced to pay dues, we hope that Merv Lavigne's courageous cause prevails.

David Somerville

President

National Citizens' Coalition

Toronto

"REVOLTED" BY COLUMN

Recently, Swedish lawmakers have introduced sweeping new changes to the raising and slaughter of food animals in their country. These compassionate new laws have been praised by animal welfarists throughout the world.

Rabbi Moses Burak, in his March 9 column, takes the Swedish law pertaining to *shechitah* out of context and calls it "grievous religious persecution." His comparison is to the banning of *shechitah* in Nazi Germany.

Whereas the Nazis undoubtedly passed their laws in order to destroy the practice of Judaism, it should be apparent that the new Swedish laws have been conscientiously drafted to protect animals — not to "torment Jews."

Just where does Rabbi Burak see evidence today of a "revolting ethic... which feels more for animals than for humans?"

This statement itself is revolting, since it implies that the compassionate Swedish people — and those who care about animals in general — are comparable to Nazis.

Harman Rothenberg

Toronto

LIBRARY'S YIDDISH VIDEOS

I read with interest your Montreal edition's March 30 article regarding Yiddish videos.

I would like to share with your readers the fact that the Jewish Public Library in Montreal has the Ergo Videos mentioned.

Titles such as *Almonds and Raisins*, *Hester Street*, *The Dybbuk*, the *Moshe Oysher* film *Der Vilner Shtetl Khazn* and many more are now available for circulation.

These videos and others may be borrowed, along with other library materials, by any member of the library.

For further information regarding the videos and other services of the library, please phone (514) 735-6535.

Claire Stern

Director of Public Services

Jewish Public Library

Montreal

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A LAWYER REPLIES...

By
JOHN SYRTASH



The following is a combination of questions I am asked from time to time.

QUESTION: (the husband)

I am an extremely busy Jewish businessman. I devote much time both to my work and to the community. However, my wife is a "kvetch." I can no longer bear the constant nagging, and lack of respect for all that I have materially attained for both of us and our children. I also still have emotional ties towards my wife after such a lengthy marriage (we have two lovely children). I am very confused. Do I seek divorce or separation? Although married, I feel very lonely. What do I do?

ANSWER:

Under Canada's Divorce Act, it is the duty of every lawyer and the Court to draw their client's attention to the prospects of spousal reconciliation.

Many lawyers take this statutory duty very seriously, if only for selfish reasons. The lawyer does not want to spend much time and expense on behalf of a client who will likely reconcile.

A sensitive solicitor will often hear the words "yes, I want a divorce" when the client's eyes are telling him "but I don't really want to leave her." At this stage lawyers will often give the client a list of available marriage counselling services in the community such as the Jewish Family & Child Services in Toronto or the Jewish Family Services in Montreal.

In my practice, I also invite troubled Jewish couples to take comfort and learn from some of the traditional G-d given remedies that our Torah sages have fostered to resolve successfully marital discord over several centuries. These views and approaches may surprise the reader given the current mistaken view that traditional Judaism is chauvinist, if not biased against women and their needs.

In fact Jewish tradition primarily speaks to a husband and asks him to blame himself, rather than the woman when marital conflicts arise, even though wives can equally benefit from studying these rules. Two books feature problem-solving commandments in Judaism. In particular I often recommend Aharon Feldman's Torah Guide to Successful Marriage: The River The Kettle and The Bird and Rabbi Tzvi Dov Travis' The Jewish Marriage.

Judaic principles instruct the Jewish male to treat his wife at least as well as he is commanded to treat his fellow men. Indeed, if a conflict arises in carrying out these mitvos (commandments) for the benefit of either a wife or even a guest, a wife takes precedence.

Hillel's dictum "Love your fellow as yourself" obliges the Jew to treat his wife with the utmost courtesy, politeness, feelings of constant gratitude and devotion which is best expressed through acts of daily kindness. As Feldman writes: "Anyone who treats another person, including his wife, in the manner in which he himself would not enjoy being treated, violates this command." So central is this mitzvah to Jewish life, that Hillel considered it the key to the entire Torah. The rest of the Torah he said is merely an elaboration upon it.

In addition to the general obligation to love a fellow Jew, there is an additional obligation to love a wife as oneself and to honor her more than oneself.

Accordingly, the husband should make his wife happy by giving her the benefit of the doubt when mistakes are made and to refrain from verbalizing negative feelings since, if not verbalized they are not considered by the Torah to be "hatred in our hearts" which is a sin. As Feldman writes, "It goes without saying that every time someone gets into an argument with his wife and hurts her feelings, he is violating the prohibition which states: You may not verbally oppress your fellow." Apparently one of the biggest sins is succumbing to the "evil inclination" which causes the husband to be angry with his wife, even if she appears to deserve it, which anger is considered by the sages to be a form of idolatry.

One method that Feldman suggests is that whenever a husband is about to display anger, he should first go to a mirror and rehearse what he is about to say. Only then will he appear to himself to be the fool that he was about to become, a mortal piece of dust who should remember everything from which he benefits and forgets to count his days. Rabbi Travis also suggests that true consideration takes the form of listening and paying attention to your wife when she speaks... a sign of respect. As Feldman writes: "To listen with half an ear is a good way to insult her — or anyone else for that matter."

Anti-semitic statements alleged

Former Catholic leader condemned

MONTREAL —

Jewish leaders, as well as a number of prominent Christians, including the Roman Catholic auxiliary bishop of Montreal, have condemned an excommunicated U.S. Catholic prelate for anti-semitic statements he reportedly made during a visit to Quebec.

Richard Williamson, a bishop in the Fraternity of St. Pius X, an ultra-traditionalist Catholic movement that has broken with the Vatican, preached in a Sherbrooke, Que., church this month that Jews never died in Nazi gas chambers and that the Holocaust is exaggerated by Jews to gain support for Israel.

In an address at the Notre Dame de Lourdes church, according to a report in the local newspaper, The Record, Williamson of Winona, Minn., defended Ernst Zundel as a man "fighting for the truth."

He railed against Jews, Protestants and liberals as agents of corruption who have diluted Catholicism. He was quoted as saying Jews have gained power over Catholics through the medium of television, which he alleged they control.

In a joint letter, officials of Canadian Jewish Congress, B'nai B'rith, interfaith groups and the Catholic Archdiocese of Montreal denounced Williamson for "fomenting vengeful hatred" and for his "vicious, slanderous attack on Jews, Catholics and Protestants" that is "repugnant and threatens the liberty and rights of all groups."

The signatories say they are deeply concerned with the impact Williamson's views will have on the whole of society.

Among the names on the letter are Bishop Leonard Crowley, auxiliary bishop of Montreal; Father John Walsh, assistant to the director of the Archdiocese's English Language

office; Canon Jeno Kohner, president of Christian-Jewish Dialogue; Brian McDonough, executive director of the English Speaking Catholic Council; Zenon Bryniawsky, executive director of Catholic Community Services; Yves Casgrain, a researcher with B'nai B'rith Hillel's Cult Project; Maria Peluso, regional director of the Canadian Council of Christians and Jews, as well as officials of BB and CJC.

At the urging of BB and CJC, the RCMP in Sherbrooke is investigating whether Williamson, who has since returned to the United States, violated the hate propaganda provisions of the Criminal Code.

CJC Quebec Region director Michael Crelinstein said it is hoped a charge can be laid in order to prevent Williamson from re-entering Canada. (However, the RCMP reported in Friday's Toronto Star that charges would not be laid as there was not enough evidence to make a charge of spreading hate propaganda stick.)

Eric Litwack, assistant director of the BB League for Human Rights, said his organization would also like to see Williamson barred from Canada.

Williamson spent a week in Canada, speaking in Toronto, Ottawa, Montreal, Sherbrooke, Quebec City and Shawinigan, the headquarters of the St. Pius X movement in Canada.

In Montreal, Williamson, who speaks fluent French, preached at the north-end Eglise St. Joseph. At the main mass here he confined his sermon to a call for a return to traditional Catholic values and practices, particularly the ancient Latin rite, which is the cornerstone of the movement.

However, at another church gathering he claimed the Holocaust "may be a very big lie"

and said Jews must convert to Catholicism or risk going to hell.

British-born Williamson is one of four men consecrated as bishops in defiance of Pope John Paul II last year by rebel Arch-

bishop Marcel Lefebvre of France, head of the Swiss-based Fraternity of St. Pius X, which led to their excommunication. The movement rejects the church reforms instituted after the Second Vatican

Council of 1962-65. The movement estimates it has about 1,000 followers in Quebec.

Today, Williamson is head of the Fraternity's St. Thomas Aquinas Seminary in Winona, Minn.

Analyst predicts PLO to join election process

By
BEN ROSE
TORONTO —

The election process in the territories offered by Israel Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir means that "avid supporters" of the Palestine Liberation Organization will be among the peace negotiators.

This was the analysis given recently by Dan Cohen, of Washington, lobbyist for the American Israel Public Affairs Committee (AIPAC).

"Israel has set up a process, not a straw man," Cohen said. "Israel didn't say who can take part. No doubt avid supporters of the PLO will be elected."

He was speaking to a meeting of 600 people sponsored by the Canadian Jewish Congress and the Canadian Zionist Federation on "The Campaign to Discredit Israel," held at Associated Hebrew Schools of Toronto.

Cohen's statement came in reply to Mel Shipman, chairman of Toronto's Peace Now, who claimed that the PLO is the only realistic negotiating partner.

Earlier in the meeting Cohen said moderate PLO leaders "are looking for an amber light from Tunis," before getting involved in the election process.

During the question period Shipman asked for permission to speak for five minutes on the Peace Now position. Audience members shouted him down but at the request of Moshe Ro-

nen, chairman, he was finally allowed to speak, although persistent heckling continued. Shipman advocated "land for peace" as the only realistic option for Israel.

Though serious problems lie ahead, Bob Willmot, national executive director, Canada-Israel Committee, said there are redeeming developments including Canada's position on self-determination for Palestinians and on an international peace conference.

Canada's position on the self-determination issue boils down "to an empty-shell resolution," which should not cause Israel any trouble, Willmot said, and its support of an international peace conference has so many safeguards for Israel "that it could have been drafted in Jerusalem."

Another positive note is that Canada is not supporting a Palestinian state, but may review its policy soon.

However, on the Canadian action to raise its relations with the PLO, Willmot said big trouble lies ahead including what position the CJC should adopt on possible meetings between Yasser Arafat and Prime Minister Brian Mulroney or External Affairs Minister Joe Clark.

At the moment Willmot said, Clark is repairing his standing with the Canadian Jewish community following the major shift in Canada's policy vis a vis the PLO.

Israel's image has

suffered a "massive reversal" and a continuing decline in Canada since the uprisings started, Willmot said.

"Our position is not quite as bad as it seems but also it is worse than it seems," Willmot said. "We've only seen the tip of the iceberg."

Canada's relations with Israel are sure to be big issues at the Liberal Party's review of policy and at the NDP leadership convention later this year, Willmot said.

Cohen said "cautious optimism" is justified in describing the situation in Washington. "Shamir's 4-point peace plan (CJN April 19) was very well received in Washington," he said. The lobbyist said he perceives Shamir's plan leading to elections, then some autonomy for the territories and then to a final status. "On the election situation, everything is on the table," Cohen said.

Other positive notes, he said, are the fact that President Hosni Mubarak of Egypt has not rejected the idea of elections, and that King Hussein of Jordan is due in Washington.

Both Willmot and Cohen said the current critical issue is that supporters of Israel in U.S. and Canada are not writing or calling their political representatives to make their views known.

"We're not hearing from your constituents," is the way one member of the U.S. Congress described the situation to Cohen.

The Jewish Quiz

QUESTIONS:

1. By what other Hebrew names is the festival of Passover known?
2. What special service is recited in the synagogue on the last day of Passover?
3. What is included in the memorial service?

ANSWERS:

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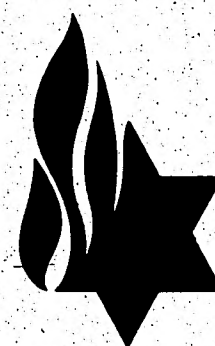
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DIARY ...of a People

By
DAVID BIRKAN

Chassidic Rabbi Chaim Leibush Halberstam of Sanz died on the 27 of Nissan (May 2 this year) 1876. The controversial scholar and educator did not hesitate to object to what he saw as wrongful conduct even among his peers.

Chaim Leibush was born in 1793, the descendant of a line of rabbis on both his mother's and father's side. He became a chassid in his youth under the influence of the Seer of Lublin and other leading chassidim. At age 12, he was recognized as an *ilui*, religious prodigy.

Chaim Leibush mastered song and melody, as well as Talmud and Kabbalah, in his long training. In 1830, he succeeded the late Rabbi Baruch David Landau as spiritual leader of Nowy Sacz, a city in the province of Crakow, whose some 5,000 Jews comprised about 45% of its populace. He was to live there for 46 years.

Chaim Leibush was a model of piety, devotion, frugality and scholarship. His devotion in prayer, simple lifestyle, and distribution of tributes from followers to tzedakah were appreciated. On one occasion, a lavish gift of 100,000 gulden was sent to him; within 24 hours, it was distributed to the needy. "I love the poor," he would say, "because God loves them."

His yeshiva, which stressed scholarship before chassidut, attracted both chassidim and mitnagdim (opponents of chassidut) from across Eastern Europe. "We concentrate on the Talmud and the Codes (of Jewish law)," he wrote once to an associate, "and study the Kabbalah when others are asleep."

His rapidly growing number of chassidim, who bestowed on him the title Light of the Exile, began calling the city Tzanz, incorporating the Hebrew letter tzaddi in its name to denote that it was the home of a tzaddik.

Leibush's objections

In his responsa, Chaim Leibush objected to: the introduction of making matzoh by machine, which could cause inadvertent fermentation; and the burial of two bodies in a single grave, which, he said, required a partition of at least six handbreadths between them.

He strongly objected to the lavish lifestyle of the Sadagora chassidim, becoming what observers described as their "Great Accuser." He demanded they change from their "arrogance," launching proscriptions against Sadagora scribes and shochets, ritual slaughterers. When the Sadagoran rabbis declined to counterattack, their supporters issued an *issur*, prohibition, against obeying him. Chaim Leibush's own supporters rallied behind him and excommunicated the Sadagoran supporters, in a battle that became known as chassidim's Seven Lean Years. These ended with Chaim Leibush's death; none of the seven sons and seven daughters who survived him carried on the dispute. His goal of amalgamating chassidic and non-chassidic Orthodoxy was left to circumstance and time.

One grandson, Ben Zion, who perished in the Holocaust, was renowned for the vibrant religious songs he composed. Another, Solomon, founded the Bobover sect. A third, Yekutiel Judah, the Klausenberg Rebbe, re-established his court in Williamsburg, NY, after the Holocaust, and later founded Kiryat Zanz near Netanya in Israel.

INPARSHAL WORDS: *c'rut*

The Torah contains many words echoed in English. In this week's parsha Acharei, *c'rut* means, rhymes with, and suggests cut.

The Concise Oxford Dictionary takes cut back through its immediate Middle English antecedents, *cutte* and *kite*, to a theoretical Old English source **cýttan*. The asterisk means there is no written or verbal evidence for this word.

C'rut is best known in the phrase *c'rut brit*, to conclude — literally cut — a pact. *C'rut* connotes engraving or incising, rather than a complete severing — most obviously in the brit of milah, circumcision. *C'rut's* "r" sound is a guttural whose difficulty for unaccustomed vocal chords to manage is compounded by its position following the first hard "c" sound. The r was likely to be replaced in the word's transit.

— Latin verb *cudo*, *cudere* means to stamp a coin. *Cos*, *cotis* in Latin is a hard flinty stone of the kind used to cut with or sharpen other cutting instruments.

A conjecture: The -cracy in democracy, plutocracy and so forth comes from the Greek *kratos*, meaning power. Could that in turn have in its origin the ability to inscribe laws?

Wants speedier action on war crimes prosecutions

BBC unhappy over foot-dragging

By
PAUL LUNGEN

WINNIPEG —

B'nai B'rith Canada has called for changes in the way the federal government is handling the Nazi war criminal issue.

A delegation of spokesmen for the Jewish organization met recently with Justice Minister Doug Lewis, and recommended a number of ways the process of bringing war criminals to justice may be speeded up.

The delegation expressed its concern that in the two years since Justice Jules Deschenes issued his report, and the year or more that Criminal Code legislation has existed to prosecute war criminals, only one person — former Hungarian police officer Imre Finta — has been charged, said David Matas, senior legal counsel for B'nai B'rith's League for Human Rights.

The delegation called for an end to the go-slow approach war crimes investigators seem to be taking and for a higher profile of interest and involvement from government officials.

They also made a number of recommendations to speed up the investigatory/prosecutorial process.

They called for increased level of inter-governmental contacts at ambassadorial or ministerial levels in order to solicit "quicker responses" when requesting information from other countries, Matas said.

While the United States, Canada, Australia and Britain are all seeking information from each other and other countries about war criminals, the bureaucracies handling the information are continuing to work at the slower pace that for years they found sufficient, Matas said.

By upgrading the level of contacts, obtaining information for war crimes investigations may be speeded up, he added.

The B'nai B'rith representatives also called for cross-checking Nazi lists of camp guards, United Nations docu-

ments listing Nazis and other source material with Canadian immigration, citizenship and old age pension lists.

A similar approach is how U.S. investigators have located Nazis, Matas said, but Canadian officials won't even say if they are using the technique.

"That's overly secretive," Matas said. "The United States and Australia say whether they do it or not. I suspect that it's not being done (here), and it should be done."

One of Deschenes' recommendations was to amend the pension law to allow investigators access to pension lists. It's "dis-

couraging" to see that it hasn't been done, Matas said. "Privacy should not take priority over prosecuting mass murderers."

The delegation also pointed out that "a pool" of talented historians, lawyers and others exists in Canada to help in the investigations.

Other recommendations included a request that the government "speak out more...carry the case forward to the Canadian public" and "show leadership" in the hunt for Nazis.

"The work of public legal education has to be done and the government can play a role in that."

Matas said the investigators seem to be displaying "an excess of caution" in determining whether to prosecute suspects. If prosecutors are too cautious and only proceed when they have "a perfect case," they will be "immobilized," he warned.

Prosecutors in rape or drug cases don't obtain convictions in 100% of the cases they try, and higher standards in war crime cases are not needed, he stated.

Matas said the delegation expressed its concern that war criminal suspects from

the U.S. may flee that country and apply here for refugee status.

Canada should be doing something to prevent those fleeing U.S. justice, he suggested.

The justice minister was "sympathetic" to the B'nai B'rith presentation, Matas added.

The Winnipeg lawyer said B'nai B'rith's membership is concerned with the slow pace of action versus war criminals. He suggested that anyone who shares that concern should write to the minister of justice or your local MP.

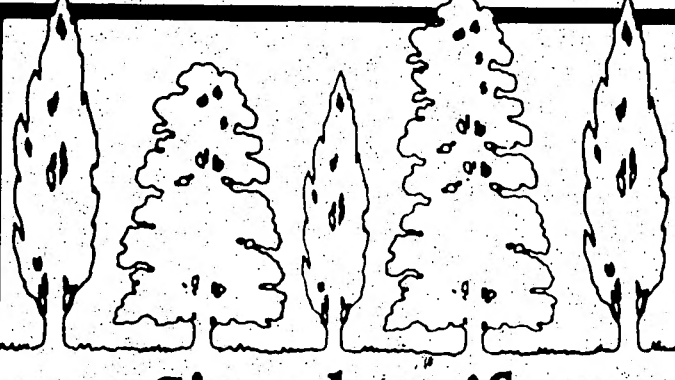
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*Canada supports resolution***UN vote condemns Israel**

By
CJN NEWS SERVICES

NEW YORK —

The General Assembly voted last week 129 to 2 to condemn the killing and wounding of Palestinians by Israeli forces and urged the Security Council to take measures to prevent further violence.

The Assembly voted with the United States and Israel casting the sole dissenting votes, to adopt the resolution, which also called for the convening of an international peace conference on the Middle East.

Liberia abstained, and 27 others were absent.

Canada voted against Israel.

The vote ended two days of debate on the 16-month-old Palestinian uprising, which has seen a sharp increase in Palestinian casualties in recent weeks. Israeli forces raided the Arab town of Nahalin recently and killed at least four villagers and wounded 15 others. The Palestine Liberation Organization said seven were killed.

Daily clashes between rock-throwing Palestinians and Israeli forces in the past 16 months have killed at least 424 Palestinians and 14 Israelis.

The resolution said the General Assembly "condemns policies and practices of Israel, the occupying power, which violate the human rights of Palestinian people in the occupied territories."

It condemned Israel's violation of freedom of worship and the "killing

and wounding of defenceless Palestinian civilians, and specifically the latest action of members of the Israeli armed forces against the defenceless civilians in the Palestinian town of Nahalin."

The resolution urged the 15-nation Security Council to consider "with urgency" the situation in the West Bank and Gaza Strip and take measures to protect the population

there. Canada is a member of the Council.

The General Assembly was convened at the request of Arab nations trying to bring international pressure against Israel to put an end to the mounting casualties in the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

U.S. Ambassador Thomas Pickering branded the resolution as "counter-productive" to the peace process in the Middle East.

"The challenge before all of us is to help bring Israelis, Palestinians and the Arab world together to negotiate a settlement, not to try to prejudice its outcome or to dictate its terms," he said.

Pickering asked Israel to avoid "unwarranted use of lethal force" against the demonstrators and "to restore and safeguard... the free and open access to the holy places in Jerusalem."

*Shamir's Hungary visit yields few results***JERUSALEM (JPFS) —**

"Is there anything new about Hungary?" Minister Yitzhak Moda'i asked Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir at last week's inner cabinet meeting. "Nothing at all," the Prime Minister replied.

That was the extent of the briefing given to the selected members of Israel's top diplomatic decision-making forum on Shamir's still-mysterious 24 hour stopover in Budapest last Monday.

In the foreign ministry, only Minister Moshe Arens knew of the trip in advance. Visiting Hungarian Deputy Foreign Minister Laszlo Kovacs alluded to the impending visit in his talks here last week. His Israeli interlocutors, who had only a vague idea of what Kovacs was talking about, did not respond.

Thus, usually well-informed officials described Shamir's visit in terms ranging from "enigma" to "fiasco."

In a secret visit to the Hungarian capital a year ago, Justice Minister Dan Meridor paved the way for Shamir's first visit to Hungary last year. Meridor was also apparently the contact man for last week's visit, receiving a signal from an official of the World Jewish Congress in Vienna that the Hungarians would like to talk to Shamir.

Meridor said there was no mystery at all about the visit, which was aimed at briefing the "Soviet bloc" about Shamir's recent peace proposals.

Sources close to Shamir have described the talks with Hungarian leader Karoly Grosz as clearly "Soviet-initiated." They added that the Soviet Union is on the verge of consolidating its Middle East strategy in the wake of recent developments, and therefore Shamir's talks in Budapest were crucial.

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BRUSSELS (JTA) —

Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir is expected to meet three European Community foreign ministers late next month in Madrid to discuss ways to advance the Middle East peace process, according to diplomatic sources here.

Shamir's prospective encounter with the foreign ministers of Spain, Greece and France will give the

European Community an opportunity to revive the diplomatic initiative in the Middle East it launched earlier this year.

The so-called troika of current, past and future European Community chairman visited major Middle East capitals in January and met in February with Palestine Liberation Organization leader Yasser Arafat.

But the European Community has taken no new actions since the Bush administration held a round of meetings with Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir, Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak and Jordan's King Hussein.

According to diplomatic sources Shamir is eager to present the European Community with his recently outlined proposals for Palestinian elections in the administered territories.

"Israel hopes that the European Community will agree, or at least remain neutral, with the American

administration's view that the elections idea is a first step toward an overall agreement, despite the fact that the Palestine Liberation Organization has already rejected Shamir's offer," an analyst said.

Italian sources hinted last week, following an informal meeting of the 12 E.C. foreign ministers in Granada, Spain, that the community might propose that the United Nations form a special force, made up of European troops, to supervise elections in the territories or a partial Israeli withdrawal from those areas.

During his visit to Madrid, which is expected to take place on May 23, the Israeli Prime Minister will be accompanied by Foreign Minister Moshe Arens, who will be here a day early to attend the annual meeting of the E.C.-Israel Cooperation Council, with the 12 European Community foreign ministers.

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Most of the refugees are Shiites, many of them elderly men, women and children. They have mainly gone to live with relatives in towns and villages in the southern part of the country.

The only limitation on their entry is that they may not bring vehicles into the security zone.

Thousands of other Shiite refugees are gathering in Tyre and Sidon, cities on the coast of southern Lebanon, but north of the security zone.

For Christian refugees from West Beirut, there is no overland passage to southern Lebanon and the only possibility for them to leave is by sea. For this reason many of the refugees of the past month have preferred to sail to Cyprus and then on to other locales.

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CJC restructuring proposed

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"The federations have developed a network and structure which effectively represents the Jewish community and represents the masses of Jews and it's important for Congress to be sensitive to that reality."

A draft report on Congress restructuring, prepared by a task force chaired by Ottawa Prof. Harvey Lithwick, also calls for the "central" involvement of local federations (CJN April 6).

"The proposed closer links of CJC to the federations and greater accountability to them through the National Budgeting Conference (which allocates locally-raised funds) should ease many of the current tensions," the Lithwick draft report states.

Under Scheininger's amendments, the 121-member national executive would consist of the officers as well as the chairmen of Congress national standing committees, the chairman of NBC, the chairman of the Canada-Israel Committee, the presidents of 19 national organizations (such as Canadian ORT, Kadi-mah, Hadassah-WIZO, United Israel Appeal and the Canadian Zionist Federation), and 50 members at large selected by regions

and communities according to a formula set out in an annex to the amendment.

Following the Plenary Assembly, which runs from May 7-9 in Montreal, Scheininger said he will recommend to the officers and executive "a new process of budgeting and planning" to provide for "greater accountability to national Congress by the regions" with regard to programs and budgets.

That will require some "restructuring," the incoming president said, though amendments to the bylaws will be unnecessary.

The purpose of the restructuring would be to ensure that regional programs are "consistent with the national mandate" of the organization. Scheininger, a Toronto lawyer, said he will propose that the budgets of the regions be more detailed and be given greater scrutiny by the national Congress to ensure budget expenditures regionally are "consistent with the mandate."

While he would not indicate which programs might come under scrutiny, Scheininger said "there are situations where important programs (run) by the regions...could be as effectively done on a local basis by the federations or community councils."

He said the Lithwick

task force could help determine which programs would be better run on a local basis.

Documents released by Scheininger to The CJN as "a program of reform for Congress, 1989-92," indicate CJC National should deliver only those services that cannot be delivered more effectively at the local level or by some other agency...The delivery of CJC National programs should be a major responsibility of federations and/or Congress regions where appropriate."

Scheininger also calls for "an appropriate federation-region liaison committee," to develop

an atmosphere of mutual interdependence."

He also calls for an "effective and strong planning and budgeting committee, which would recommend priorities, future directions and utilization of resources to the officers and executive."

That committee, and "all other issues-oriented and service-delivery committee should have appropriate federation representatives among its members...Federation representatives from Toronto, Montreal and Vancouver should be added to such committees as the national community relations committee, community action for Israel committee" and others.

Italian PM doesn't reject Shamir plan

JERUSALEM (JPFS) —

Italy is not dismissing Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir's proposal for elections in the territories — despite its skepticism about the plan's feasibility. This emerged from the first round of talks in Jerusalem Sunday with visiting Italian Prime Minister Ciriaco de Mita.

Shamir asked for Italian "endorsement" of his proposals in his first meeting with a European statesman since his trip to Washington earlier this month. De Mita and Foreign Minister Giulio Andreotti reiterated their country's support for negotiations with the PLO, but are not expected to reject the elections proposal because of U.S. pressure and Italy's wish to coordinate its response with the rest of the European Community.

Shamir Sunday openly sparred with the next president of the EC, France, over President Francois Mitterrand's decision to meet with PLO chairman Yasser Arafat next week.

"Mr. Mitterrand presents himself as a friend of Israel," Shamir said, "but what he is doing totally contradicts France's friendly relations with Israel."

In a letter sent to European leaders, the U.S. state department requested European backing, saying that the Shamir's proposals "are not an end unto itself, but only a means to reach negotiations on the final status of the territories."

The letter states that Shamir has accepted the proposition that "both sides will not realize all of their wishes." The U.S., the statement adds, is not attempting to "bypass the PLO," but rather to "find a formula which will propel the peace process forward."

In a 2-hour meeting — described by Shamir's media advisor Avi Pazner as "very profound, thorough, lengthy and friendly" — Shamir presented his 4-point plan to de Mita and Italian Foreign Minister Giulio Andreotti.

Camp liberator to be honored

By JOSEPH POLAKOFF

WASHINGTON —

The U.S. Holocaust Memorial Council has posthumously awarded its Eisenhower Liberation Medal on Five-Star General Omar Bradley who died in 1981 at age 88 after a brilliant military career that included liberation of Nazi death camps in Europe in World War II.

Gen. Bradley's daughter, Mrs. Benjamin Henry Dorsey of Washington, will accept the award on behalf of her late father at the national Civic Days of Remembrance ceremony in the Capitol rotunda on May

2. Harvey Meyerhoff, the Council chairman, will make the presentation.

Generals Bradley, Dwight Eisenhower and George Patton toured the newly liberated Ohrdruf camp on April 12, 1945. In his memoirs, Bradley recalled his horror: "The smell of death overwhelmed us even before we passed through the stockade," he wrote. "For here, death has been so overwhelming by degradation that it both stunned and numbed us."

During World War II, Bradley commanded a division, a corps, an army and finally a group of armies.

Price riots rock Jordan

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Hussein headed back to Jordan immediately after his Washington meeting to deal with riots which broke out in his country over price increases. He cancelled a trip to Britain.

Jordan linked the unrest to economic reforms agreed to with the International Monetary Fund. Arab aid to Jordan has declined sharply and the reforms were needed to unlock an IMF credit of \$148 million and a World Bank credit of \$177 million. Jordan's foreign debt stands at more than \$7 billion.

techniques — like stone-throwing — from the West Bank intifada, the Jordanians are essentially protesting economic policies and not attempting to overthrow King Hussein, he said.

"The fact that the rioting is in the generally loyal south is an indication that this is not disaffection with the regime, but with its economic policies. Certainly Rifa'i is the focus of discontent, and I think this may very well spell the end of Rifa'i's premiership."

Susser also predicted the riots would harm King Hussein's international credibility and prestige in the Arab world.

So far, the country's large Palestinian population, concentrated in Amman, hasn't joined in the disturbance, Susser noted. He credited that to the "deterrent" impact of the military.

The riots also could be worrisome for a number of other Arab countries facing similar austerity measures in response to demands for reform from the International Monetary Fund, he said.

He noted that there had been reports of recent disturbances in Algeria. Egypt, too, faces International Monetary Fund demands to raise prices and cut subsidies.

JERUSALEM (JPFS) —

The riots in Jordan may topple Jordanian Prime Minister Zeid al-Rifa'i, but they don't pose an immediate threat to the regime of King Hussein, Asher Susser of Tel Aviv University's Dayan Centre said Saturday.

"There may be more riots, but at the moment the regime seems to have the situation under control," Susser said.

Over the longer term, however, the unrest also poses "a serious challenge" to King Hussein because the economic difficulties that sparked the protests aren't temporary, said Susser.

While the Jordanian rioters have borrowed certain



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- shelter for battered women
- respite and hospice care
- harnessing the leadership in the Jewish business community to provide a network of resources for the next generation of leaders.

Recent legislation (The Family Law Act) has created an atmosphere in which women need no longer defer to their husbands in the areas of finance and estate planning. This potential financial independence is conducive to use of the Endowment Fund as an opportunity for women to make a difference in a direct and specific way.

— Gella Rothstein

The Leah Fund

The Leah Fund was established in 1985 by Noah Shopsowitz in memory of his mother Lillian, who passed away in 1984. Because Lillian Shopsowitz, together with her late husband, Sam, were so deeply involved in the entertainment field, it was her wish to bequeath a sum of money to an appropriate cause. After an extensive search, Noah decided the UJWF/TJC Endowment Fund would be the most befitting outlet for his mother's request. Currently, through the Endowment Fund, the Leah Fund is providing dollars for the production of videos on a Jewish theme. This year, the fund will make its first grant to the Holocaust Remembrance Committee of Toronto Jewish Congress, which has undertaken the videotaping of oral testimony from Holocaust survivors. The interviews are conducted by historian Dr. Paula Draper and taped at the studios of Global Television and Newton Cable. The goal is to perpetuate the memory of the Holocaust by having its survivors tell their story for current and future generations in a lasting and effective way.

Alternative Short Term Housing For Battered Women

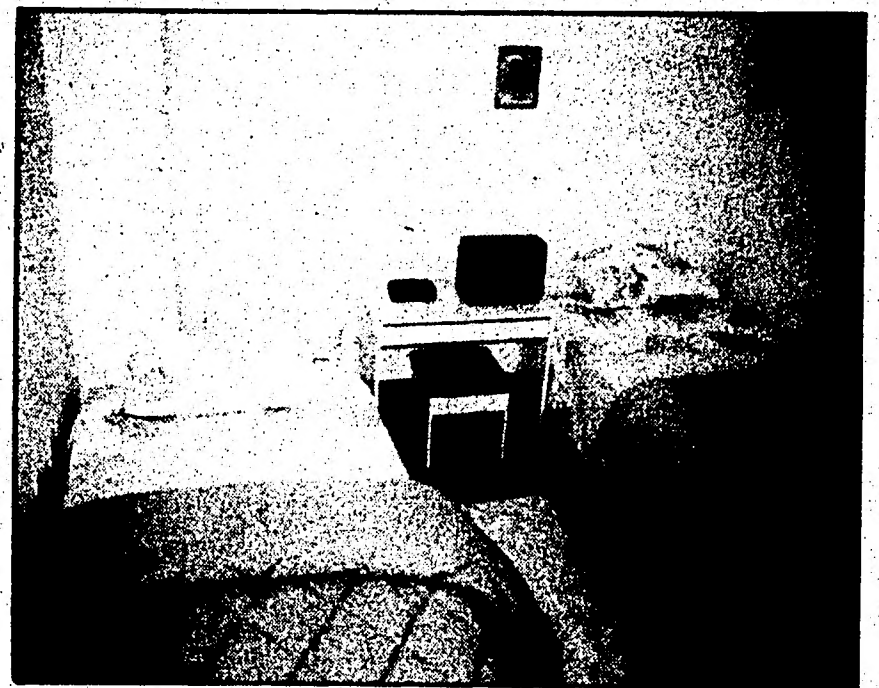
Wife abuse is a well-hidden social problem. No one wants to acknowledge it exists, let alone in the Jewish community. But it does. Domestic violence knows no geographic, ethnic or economic boundaries. It's been reported that violence in Jewish families is as prevalent as in the general population. But in general, it's been found that Jewish women do not use traditional shelters.

That's why the Endowment Fund was eager to help finance Toronto's Alternative Short Term Emergency Housing for Battered Women. The project is the result of a joint effort by Jewish Family & Child Service, B'nai Brith Women and members of the Social Planning Committee of Toronto Jewish Congress.

The objective was to have a safe, supportive place where a Jewish woman and her children could stay for up to 90 days. In the meantime, more long-term plans are made for the woman with the help of a corps of volunteers trained in counselling victims of domestic violence. The proposal was approved for funding by the Endowment Fund in March, 1988 and the shelter was opened in June of last year.

The two-bedroom apartment is conveniently located near schools, shopping and transportation and is equipped with a Kosher kitchen, a crib, several beds and a security system.

While the need for such a shelter is unfortunate, the Endowment Fund is fulfilling its mandate in aiding this sort of vital project.



The shelter's main bedroom.



The shelter's living room.

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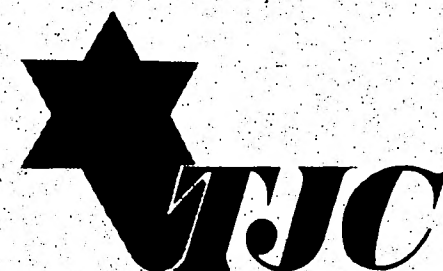
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Organizations and People

National Bible contest draws 186 competitors

By
BRIAN HENRY

TORONTO —

The tension was palpable in the banquet hall of Beth Abraham Yosef Synagogue in Thornhill as 186 Jewish students from as far away as Moncton and Calgary waited to hear the winners of the 1989 National Bible Contest.

And when the winners were announced, the applause was thunderous.

Sponsored by the Canadian Zionist Federation, the Toronto Board of Jewish Education, the Jewish Educational Council of Montreal, and the Jewish National Fund, the Bible contest is an annual affair held in alternate years in Toronto and Montreal.

Participating Hebrew day and afternoon schools across Canada sent their top Bible scholars — winners of regional competitions — to take part in the national contest.

All 186 students took place in the first round of the contest, which consisted of a written and an oral exam. Then the top ten from each division continued on the semi-finals, and the top three from the semi-finals continued on to the finals.

The first place winners in the English division and of the grades 7-8 and 9-13 Hebrew divisions will go on to compete in next year's international contest in Jerusalem.

In Israel, the Canadian students will meet other Jewish students from around the world and spend 2½ weeks with them touring Israel.

Pinna Spetgang, principal of Toronto's Beth Tikvah Congregational School, was the mistress of ceremonies for the awards banquet, which was also attended by Benjamin Abileah, consul-general of Israel in Toronto, and by representatives of the many organizations that support the event.

Spetgang noted that,

although some schools allow class time to prepare for the contest, any student who wants to win knows that he or she must spend hours studying at home.

"It's a lot of effort and pressure," said Spetgang. "But they do it, and they enjoy it, and that's the main thing."

In the English Division, 1st place went to Stephanie Webb of Beth Tikvah Congregational School, 2nd to Warren Pollock, Shaareh Haim Hebrew School (Toronto), 3rd to Lea Salsberg, Temple Sinai (Toronto).

In the Hebrew Division (grades 9-13), Josh Lesk of Canadian Hebrew Academy of Toronto took 1st place; Jonah Levant, Calgary Hebrew School, 2nd; and Leah Spinner, Hebrew Academy High School, Montreal, 3rd.

The winners in the Hebrew Division (grades 7-8) were all from Toronto: Jonathan Snowbell, Associated Junior High-Neptune Branch, came 1st; Michelle Portnoy, Associated Junior High — Leslie Branch, 2nd; Sivan Tamir, United Synagogue Day School — Bayview Campus, 3rd.

In the Hebrew Division (grades 5-6), all the winners were from Associated's Neptune Branch. Stephen Muzin came 1st, Mark Siboni 2nd, and Lisa Nagel 3rd.

Finally, prizes were awarded to two Hatan Israel (Hebrew-speaking Israelis resident in Canada): Noam Nachshon, Associated Junior High — Neptune Branch in the grades 7-8 division, and Michael Klutstein, Associated — Neptune Branch in the grades 5-6 division.

Yom Hashoa service to remember kids

TORONTO —

"Remember the children" is the theme of this year's community-wide Yom Hashoa service April 30 at 2 p.m. at Beth David B'nai Israel Beth Am Synagogue.

Six children including Rachael Van Der Kooy of Simcoe, Ont., a 3rd generation righteous gentile, will each light memorial candles to commemorate the 1.5 million children murdered in the Holocaust.

Four students — two from Bialik Hebrew Day School and two from York Mills Collegiate — will each read selections in English and Yiddish. Torontonians Alan Farkas and Elaine Thakenberg will also read from selected works.

Keynote speaker is Rabbi Dow Marmur, senior

rabbi of Holy Blossom Temple and himself a child survivor of the Holocaust.

Other participants include Cantor Benjamin Maissner of Holy Blossom, Cantor Hesh Myersdorf and Rabbi Phillip Scheim of Beth David and Cantor Louis Danto of Beth Emeth Synagogue.

Distinguished guests include Benjamin Abileah, Israel consul-general in Toronto and Herb Rosenfeld, president, Toronto Jewish Congress. The consul-generals of both Poland and West Germany are also expected to attend.

The service is being held under the auspices of the Holocaust Remembrance Committee of the Toronto Jewish Congress.

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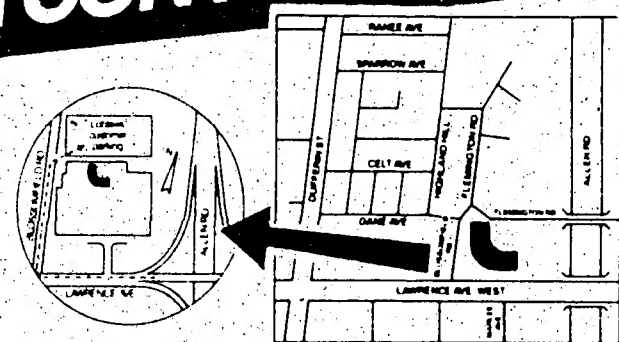
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Holocaust Memorial moves visiting students

TORONTO —

Most of the students are silent for a long time. They mill around, look at the displays and photographs and generally, think about what they just saw.

Many are incredulous and look stunned. One girl sits alone. She weeps quietly, her mascara smudging her young face.

Slowly, the teenagers begin talking as they flip through the oversized reproductions of pages from The Toronto Star from the 40s, announcing that the Nazis have machine-gunned thousands of people, children included, at Kiev.

As they walk through the Holocaust Education and Memorial Centre, located in the Lipa Green Building, the 40 or so students from Notre Dame Secondary School in Brampton are hit head on with the enormity of the Holocaust, and it obviously takes a while for everything to sink in.

In a few moments, the experience will become personalized. The students will meet a Holocaust survivor — in this case, Howard Chandler — who will recount his own memories of life in the camps, and how he made it out alive. They then return to school and talk about their unusual field trip.

The teenagers are among the more than 14,000 high school students, mostly non-Jews, who pass through the centre every year. Tours are conducted by appointment for schools daily and the centre is open to the public on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Sundays. It is booked solid.

Open to the public since 1985, after three years of planning and gathering all the materials, the centre serves as the community's main Holocaust commemorative and educational facility, say its new co-chairman, Anita Ekstein

and Margie Levitt.

Ekstein is a child survivor of the Holocaust while Levitt was chairman of the community's annual Holocaust Education Week for three years.

Levitt is also chairman of the Memorial Tile Project, which hopes to fill the Hall of Names, a small circular room in the centre reserved for prayer or meditation, with ceramic tiles each carrying the name of a family member or loved one lost in the war, or the name of a town.

The price of a tile is \$180 and may be purchased by individuals, families and landsmanschaften. Tiles may also be bought by someone in honor of a family that has no surviving members. A memorial tile, says Levitt, is an appropriate purchase for a special occasion, is tax-deductible and payable in instalments.

As for the centre, behind its massive bronze doors lie

illuminated panels describing Jewish life in pre-war Europe: rich in culture, art, religion and music.

The visitor then views the 28-minute documentary, From Out of the Depths, narrated by the late Lorne Green, which neatly outlines the Nazis' rise to power and the horrors which

followed.

Later on are display cabinets showing a Torah that was rescued from a burning synagogue, a striped uniform from the camps and some yellow Stars of David Jews were forced to wear. Large resource panels show maps, charts and news-

paper headlines from the day.

In all, it's an overwhelming experience but one many educators have welcomed.

"As long as there are those who deny the Holocaust took place, the centre will serve a purpose," says Ekstein.

Levitt says more survivors are needed to conduct the after-tour talks and to hold workshops in Holocaust denial and race relations.

For information on hours, tour bookings and the memorial tiles, call Mark Freedman at 635-2883.

Eitz Chaim plans 75th

By
LEILA SPEISMAN

TORONTO —

If you have been connected with Eitz Chaim Schools over the past 75 years, Eitz Chaim wants you.

As part of its 75th anniversary celebrations in 1990, reports spokesman Joseph Goldwasser, the school is planning a reunion of all "former stu-

dents, staff and friends."

Goldwasser and the reunion organizers, Shloime Schwartz and Brenda Lev, are hoping to hear from as many people as possible. "Not only is it exciting to hear from old friends," Goldwasser told The CJN, "but we hope many will want to participate and help plan the program."

Eitz Chaim was founded by Itshie Meyer Korolnek

and Joseph Cooper, among others, in the bais medrash of the Polish shul on Elm St. in 1915, and soon moved to quarters on Chestnut St. Its affectionately remembered D'Arcy St. branch opened in 1917.

The school remained exclusively an evening Talmud Torah until 1945, when its day school classes began.

Eitz Chaim moved with

the Jewish community, opening a branch on Burnside in the St. Clair area in 1950, on Viewmount in 1956 and its Patricia facility in the early 1970s.

Its latest addition is its Spring Farm campus, which opened in Thornhill in 1987.

For more information, call (416) 764-6741 after 6 p.m.

POULTRY IN MOTION ...

by Jerry Borins



Jerry Borins & Lorraine Noble at a recent meeting of the special committee planning the cocktail reception hosted by Galen Weston joined by The Honourable Lincoln Alexander to kick-off the 1989 Great Lake Swim. Celebrities swimmers like Galen Weston will be raising the final \$2.7 million to allow the completion of the SUNSHINE POOL in the Aquatic Wing of Variety Village. This photo of Jerry & Lorraine was taken by Rob Chenaux, ace swim photographer & V.P.-INTERSAVE BUYING (LOBLAWS). Jerry & Rob are the Swim Chairmen for 1989. The rest of this enthusiastic board: Vice-Captains, Len Bramson & Neville Kirchmann; past swim captains, George Cohon, Brian Yitz Davidson, Chris Layton & Ken McGowen; swim coordinator, Lorraine Noble; head coach, Vicki Keith; swim master, Dr. Peter Nord; Admiral of the fleet, Robert Walton; Swim patron, Metro Chairman Alan Tonks; ALL-Star Team, Alex Baumann, John Blair, Reg Bovaird, William Bremner, George Brown, Susan Cohon, Eddie Creed, Al Dubin, Bill Duron, J. Trevor Eyton, Paul Godfrey, Harold Granitz, Norman Griesdorf, Michael Halbert, Sharon McGrath, Sid McMurray, James O'Donnell, Harry Ornest, Fred Sanders, Gerry Schwartz, Peter Simpson, Jack Sturman & Peter Widdrington.

Cluck, Cluck!! A lot of my readers were at the Jays' home opener April 14th. You noticed the plane pulling our banner — "Poultry in Motion — Great Wings — Wheat Sheaf Tavern" over Exhibition Stadium. I know Rob (my Variety Village Great Lake Swim co-chairman) & Ellen Chenaux laughed hysterically when it flew by. They get a kick out of some of my wacky promotions & signs. So many of you want to know more about the Wheat Sheaf that I'm putting off telling you about Aish HaTorah, B'nai Brith, Viennese Ball, Great Lake Swim, Al Waxman, United Way, Shaare Zedek, Dysonotomia & Hadassah-WIZO until next time.

I bought the Wheat Sheaf "Public House" in March, 1969. It was and is Toronto's oldest Pub, continuous since 1849. A "men — only" pub at the time, the previous owners couldn't get it changed to allow women onto the premises. It sold about 27,000 gallons of beer in 1968 and the building was a little worse for wear. I left an accounting position with Pape, Strom, Sherman & Lavine C.A.'s to begin my new career (& at 29 — the youngest pub owner in Ontario!) My first loves in high school were mathematics and foot-

ball but I liked writing, and enjoyed thinking up advertising slogans. So I brought this background to the Wheat Sheaf and immediately purchased old "Time" & "Life" sport covers. I merely taped these to the walls of the venerable pub and a sports bar was born. You weren't allowed to hand out free peanuts in those days but we did. I delivered hand bills in the neighborhood which simply stated the number of nuts (60,498) gobbled to date. After some renovations we applied for & received a "ladies & escorts" license in Jan. 1970 and in 1970 we increased the business to over 52,000 gallons. In 1972, the Liquor License Board of Ontario (L.L.B.O.) permitted Public Houses (we could only sell beer and wine) to be re-classified as Taverns if the owner could convince the L.L.B.O. the premises had a lounge-like atmosphere. I had to submit photos of the proposed new chairs, tables and even samples of the carpet. All this was approved and in 1972, the Wheat Sheaf became the third public house in Ontario to be granted a tavern lounge license allowing it to sell liquor as well as beer & wine. Also, with a lounge license an owner did not have to sell food or worry about ratios of food to liquor — and we virtually had a monopoly on the

sale of beer. (There were very few license's granted in those days.) I used to lease the snack bar to other people but when restaurants & even snack bars started getting liquor licenses I saw the value of controlling the calibre of food we sold. I took over the operation of the kitchen and after two expansions am proud to say we have the finest food of any pub in Toronto. We are famous for our great chicken wings trucked in fresh from Brampton early each A.M. — and my cooks marinate & deep-fry them to perfection just for you. Our 15' wing promos have been copied by many other operators but "15' wings at the Sheaf" all day & night Wednesday & Saturday after 5 P.M. are an institution. We sell thousands of pounds per week. My great cooks also prepare fantastic burgers & caesar salads plus veal Jerry, Chicago 58 deli & hot dogs all served on terrific bread & buns from Silverstein's Bakery. The Wheat Sheaf sponsors over 30 amateur sports teams in Metro Toronto including the two great baseball teams at Adath Israel. Our teams have won championships in touch football, in hockey at Ted Reeve arena and in the Toronto Synagogue league.

Toronto has over 5,000 licenses and I'm proud to say the Wheat Sheaf is now in the top 22 in beer gallonage and climbing. This success is due to my great staff some of whom have been with me for 20 years. My key-cooks have been there over four years and I value all my terrific staff. There is very little turn-over of staff. Customers get to know who is serving them and my great bartenders remember what each person drinks and would love to serve you too. We have leased the premises for various movies and commercials — during closing times only — and I even had a speaking part in the movie "Love" — as a bartender!! Great casting eh!! The Wheat Sheaf has a mailing list of over 14,000 names on computer — customers who have been at the Sheaf to enter one of our many draws. We mail monthly birthday cards for free wings to encourage return visits. Right now we're giving away some of my season tickets to the Jays & Argos games and the response has been terrific. I have four seats to the Jays games at Exhibition stadium and will have six at the SkyDome. I'll have seven pair to each Argos game at the Fabulous SkyDome. The Wheat Sheaf is probably the most written-about tavern in Ontario and one of the most popular. We don't have any entertainment but stage a lot of promotions

and even had two well-attended debates in 1988, returning to the early concept of the pub being the centre of all activity in its Toronto neighborhood. Five T.V. stations filmed our Free Trade Debate in Jan./88 and many celebrities, union leaders & politicians took part. I was interviewed "live" on 9 different radio stations including one in Vancouver. My staff and I are proud of the fact that we count so many celebrities as our friends & loyal customers. Do you want names? OK!! ... Recently Wendel Clark hosted a few Leafs like Alan Bester, Vincent Damphouse, Dan Daoust, Tom Fergus, Todd Gill, Brad Marsh, Al Iafraite, Chris Kotsopoulos, Gary Leeman, Ed Olczyk, Mark Osborne, Luke Richardson, Daniel Marois & Borje Salming. You'll bump into all of the Argos at the Sheaf especially after practices ... and see all the American League Umpires plus Jays like George Bell, Manny Lee & Lloyd Moseby. Mark Eichhorn will be in town soon. Jay bigshots like Pat Gillick & Paul Markle drop by as do writers like Scott Young & Patrick Watson. Recently Ted Rogers (Rogers Cable empire) told me his kids love the Sheaf. I know Roy McMurtry, Harvey Atkin, John Silverman, curler Paul Kavanaugh, criminal lawyer Joe Kappy, the Sheraton's managing director Ray Jacobi, artist Robert Markle, actor Michael Sarrazin — doing his Peter Fonda imitation, comedian Alan King; new Argo owner Harry Ornest, Variety-Club's Al Dubin, Jaguar Beauty Supplies' Marshall Folk, Harvey Solursh of Solursh, Feldman, Sacks; Neville Kirchmann — Coca Cola prez, McDonald's Ken McGowen & Vicki Keith — marathon swimmer, Eric Feldbloom — B'nai Brith Foundation, Denise Bagley — master fundraiser & marketing whiz who recently had her children Diane & Kevin Gold in London; England present her with twins — mazel tov! ... Our walls are covered with sports memorabilia. We give out free pretzels (over 200 lbs per-weeks!) We had another debate on Bill C-54 and were proud to have Pierre Berton, June Callwood & Elwy Yost in attendance & speaking on our soapbox. Our next debate will be on the subject of vehicular traffic & the SkyDome. Exhibition Stadium is one & a half miles from the Sheaf but the SkyDome is only 1/2 mile away. So please drop by & be served by the oldest waiters in captivity ... and the best!! The Wheat Sheaf has made me famous. I would never have been able to meet you personally or through this column

without it. I've hosted a lot of pub crawls, private parties & fundraisers! So, dear readers, thanks for being part of my Wheat Sheaf family ... and thanks for wanting to learn more about the Wheat Sheaf & me. I'll tell you about David Goodbaum (Sunnybrook Food Market's G.M.) and his weekly visits with his pals & about my son Richie & all his Western cohorts. Larry Mann presented me with a gromit the night of the Variety Telethon's Black Tie Dinner. As dinner chairman, I was overjoyed to have Larry & Gloria Mann, Lloyd & Ruth Bochner & Monty Hall at the dinner. My shule friends Irving & Hilda Nashman just arrived back from Palm Springs & they are good friends of the Manns. They are also the parents of Myrna & Perry Smith. Perry is a partner in Rosenberg, Sacks, Smith. (ACCT 4 U is the license plate Norm Rosenberg has on his car! — My accountant Norm got it as a gift from his kids.) And thanks Norm for already signing up as a celebrity swimmer in aid of the Variety Sunshine Pool ... and everybody please stop asking me who the very gorgeous "Lady in red" at the Variety Dinner was. Flory Lebow is a great cook & looks beautiful in other colours too. Now let me tie all this together for you. Years ago Flory started me on my speaking career. She had me speak to her students at Bayview S.S. about marketing, one of my great loves ... and when we first met Flory she told me about her admiration for the handsome actor Lloyd Bochner. Well Lloyd is married to Ruth who is Harriet's cousin so I asked him to send an autographed photo for Flory to me so I could surprise her. He did ... and I did & we've been friends ever since ... I hope you had a great Passover ... did I tell you about the CJN reader who recognized me at a Florida airport? I will!! Abi Gezundt!!!

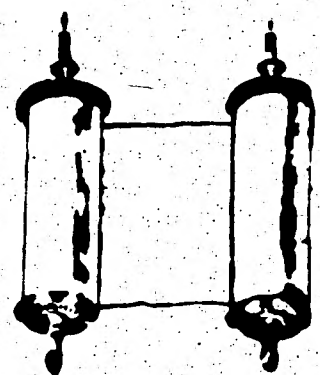
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By
RABBI MEIR URI GOTTESMAN

Achron shel Pesach / Sefirat Ha'Omer / Parshat Achrei

Pesach is almost over — we must look to the future, to peace, to Redemption. "B'choi yom achakeh lo..." every day I wait for the coming of the Messiah.

Oy, the Mashiach, the Mashiach! When will he come! And what can we do to hasten the magical day?

Faith? Real faith. And ahavath Yisrael... the love of every Jew.

We have three lovely festival holidays, Passover, Shavuoth and Succoth. But only on the last day of Passover do we use the phrase, "achron shel Pesach," the final, last day of Passover.

Why? Why not "achron shel Shavuoth" or "achron shel Succoth?" But, promises the Prophet Jeremiah: "Behold days are coming, sayeth the Lord, when no longer shall be said chay Hashem who brought us out of Egypt..." (Jeremiah 23:7)

No, we will not speak of the redemption from Egypt, because we will have a new, final redemption, an unending one, when the Jewish people will live securely in Eretz Yisrael with no fear the nations will gather to destroy us.

We say, "achron shel Pesach," the last day of Passover, for we hope that next year we will be celebrating a new Redemption.

But, alas! The Redemption does not come. Is it our fault?

Do we, with our internal bickering and divisions hold up the Messiah, who waits in the wings holding his hands on his ears because of the clatter of our feuding among ourselves?

Need understanding

We need understanding for each other. In Sionim, a certain Jew quarrelled with everyone and in general was an *azuz panim*, a *mechurazf*. The city rabbi, Rabbi Aizel, moved to punish him, but the man's friends protested, arguing: "The man is battling against the sinners!"

Answered Reb Aizel: "We find in the story of Chad Gadyah, that there were two factions involved — the righteous and the wicked:

The cat ate the innocent kid, so the cat was wicked; but the dog who bit the cat was righteous! The stick that beat the dog was unjust; but the fire that burned the stick was just. The water that quenched the fire was unjust, but the ox that drank the water was righteous! The shoichet that killed the innocent ox was wrong, but the *malach hamavet* (Angel of death) that killed the wicked ox was justified!

So... why was it that the Almighty went and killed the *malach hamavet*? What did he do wrong? But... who asked him to be the Almighty's policeman!" (Fun Alten Oitzer)

No, there are no policemen, there are only good messengers, good witnesses. When a Jew conducts himself or herself as a Jew should — upright, decent, honest, generous, understanding, pious, observant, leading a life that is exemplary, that is pure and consistent, that is as conscientious and ethical in business as it is in watching for a drop of chometz, then like bees are drawn to nectar, every Jew will race to join the Camp of Hashem.

We are Jews. We cannot be anything except Jews. Jewishness and faith must course through every vein and artery, in everything we do, everything we feel. Taught Reb Nachman of Braslav: "On the last days of Succoth we rejoice in the Torah; on the last days of Passover we rejoice in faith — "Vayaameenu ba'Shem u'vimosheh aydo: they believed in the Lord and in Moses His servant!"

Stand, dear reader, at the window, and look eastward. Do you not see? Hark! The footsteps of Redemption draw closer, glowing like the rising sun. The footsteps grow louder... There, see it now! It is in the wings of history waiting... waiting... waiting... waiting for us!

Chag Sameach, Shabbat Shalom.



Rabbi Gottesman

To operate new hospital facilities

Branson gets \$1.75 million grant

TORONTO —

North York Branson Hospital has been awarded an additional \$1.75 million in operating funds to operate new facilities.

Monte Kwinter, MPP for Wilson Heights, recently announced that the hospital would receive the increase in annual operating funds to run seven recently opened operating rooms and two new special procedures rooms for cystoscopies.

The money will also be used for labor and delivery rooms, now being expanded and extensively renovated, scheduled to open in July.

"The hospital will also receive a 1-time grant of \$259,800 for start-up costs and the purchase of minor equipment for the new rooms," Kwinter said in making the announcement

on behalf of Health Minister Elinor Caplan.

"This major expansion and renovation project will help improve the quality of care available to patients and permit the centralization of obstetrical services within the hospital.

Once renovations are completed, labor and delivery rooms will be self-contained, so all necessary procedures, including caesarian births and fetal monitoring, can take place in these units.

The hospital plans to convert its five former operating rooms, which are now closed, into an intensive care unit.

The new operating rooms, special procedures rooms for cystoscopies (urinary tract examinations) and the expanded and renovated labor and

delivery rooms comprise phase 3 of the project, which developed from the hospital's role study and

master plan in the late 1970s.

The ministry of health gave the hospital a capital

grant of \$5.1 million towards the total project cost of \$8.4 million two years ago.

North York school board approves Beth Jacob site

TORONTO —

Nearly a year after it was first unveiled, a proposal by Olympia & York to build a \$10 million Beth Jacob Elementary School for Girls has finally been approved by the North York Board of Education. (See CJA April 19)

Only two of the 14 trustees, Dan Hicks and

Ralph Belfry, voted against the plan.

It involves tearing down the Saranac public school on the site near Lawrence-Bathurst. The Saranac school has not been used by the North York Board since 1980. It is now leased to the Metro Toronto Board of Education for

handicapped children but this use will end in June.

"This is a good business deal for us and a good business deal for them," said Trustee Errol Young.

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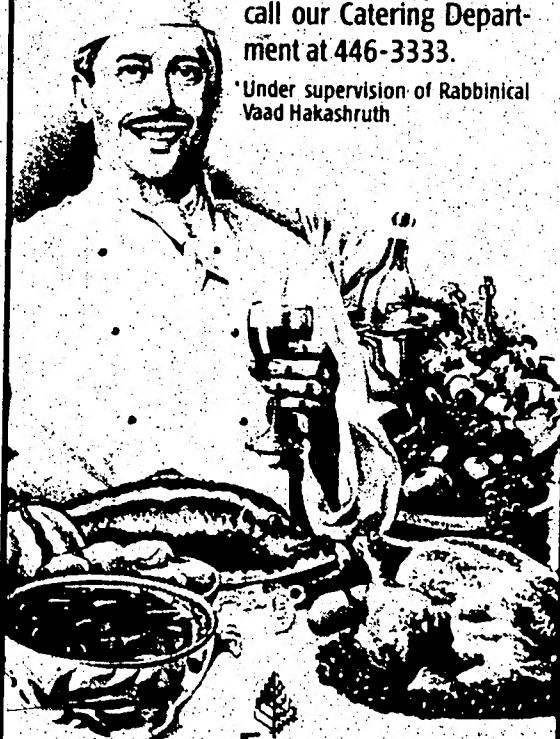
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Organizations and People

Panel at Hamilton's Beth Jacob

Willpower, lifestyle key to healthy heart: expert

By
MOURA WOLPERT

HAMILTON —

Willpower and lifestyle are the key to maintaining a healthy heart, the head of service of cardiovascular and thoracic surgery and associate director of the intensive care unit at Hamilton General Hospital, told a re-

cent combined meeting of Hamilton's three Sisterhoods at Beth Jacob Synagogue.

Dr. William Shragge, associate professor and chairman of the McMaster University MD program, was one of three experts taking part in a panel discussion entitled Lev Tov — A Good Heart And You.

Heading his list of don'ts was smoking and he stressed that "there is no question that there is a direct co-relation between smoking and hardening of the arteries."

But "conversely," he added, "with the cessation of smoking, there is direct improvement."

Other risk factors are cholesterol build-up due to improper diet rich in high cholesterol foods such as eggs, and high blood pressure. But these, suggested Shragge, "are things we can immediately check out and do something about."

Exercise promotes a healthy heart and he advised switching to decaffeinated coffee for

anyone drinking more than two to four cups per day.

What we cannot do anything about is our parents and anyone with "genes that predispose you (to heart disease)," should begin "very early on and not smoke, manage your diet, exercise and keep your blood pressure down." He also recommended screening, "certainly for men over 30," if there are "positive markers" in the family history.

Successful operations are often their own worst enemy "because an 85% better person then goes back to smoking and eating too much. The outcome of an operation," added

Shragge, "does not depend on what happens on the operating table but what you do afterwards."

Dr. Stanley Dermer, associate professor of psychiatry at McMaster said, "One of the most difficult things to change is people's lifestyle."

Dermer has a special interest in helping people cope with chronic illness and pain and in his view, "health involves more than bodily functions. Health is not just the absence of illness (but) physical well being is very much influenced by our state of mind."

Dermer advocates taking some control over our own physical and mental well being and he recommends "certain structured activi-

ties like yoga, meditation and aerobics" as useful in dealing with stress.

Colleen Connolly, coordinator of the Chedoke-McMaster Hospital Cardiac Exercise and Rehabilitation Program — nicknamed MacTurtle by a patient "because turtles go slow and live long" — agreed that "it's hard to get people to believe that they have to look after themselves."

We are often guilty," she said, "of getting people fit enough after surgery — and then they go back to a 12-hour work day at the office!"

She, too recommends exercise; ideally, three to four times a week for a minimum of 20 minutes, with about "two-thirds of it be-

ing brisk effort, but not too hard."

"You don't need to jog to keep in shape," she said. "A brisk walk is good enough and so is swimming." She suggests doing something that is fun and to do it with people. "It's better if you do it in a group."

Exercise, she said, not only makes you feel good but helps reduce other problems, improves cardiovascular function and helps with weight control.

Moderator of the program was Beth Jacob president, Norma Mishkel, who is research coordinator with the department of clinical epidemiology and biostatistics at the McMaster University Health Sciences Centre.

Book looks at health system

By
BRIAN HENRY

TORONTO —

High quality health care is often less expensive than low quality care, says Dr. Michael Rachlis, co-author of Second Opinion: What's Wrong with Canada's Health Care System and How to Fix it.

Rachlis and his co-author, Carol Kushner, said in an interview that Second Opinion has two themes: that hospitals and physicians have "relatively little impact on our health" and that Canada's health care system is inefficient. "We could be providing the same care with less expense," said Rachlis.

Kushner observed that, "if there were more preventative measures, there would be less people lined up at the emergency room door." And, she implied, people would be healthier with less cost to the system.

Rachlis, a former Winnipegger, made a similar point. "Studies show that poor people are a lot sicker (than wealthier people)," he said. "So, by relieving poverty, we could substantially increase the health status of Canadians."

But "treating illness" — as Rachlis and Kushner say our health care system is designed to do — has relatively little impact on the overall health of Canadians.

Kushner, who is a professional writer by trade, not a health care professional, said she was "genuinely shocked" by

some of the things she learned while researching Second Opinion with Rachlis.

"The one (thing) that really made me sit up and take notice," said Kushner, "was the fact that 80% of medical therapies have never been rigorously tested to see if they work or not."

Kushner observed that, in Canada, "radical mastectomies are still being done, even though there is a lot of evidence that they are no more effective than less intrusive therapies."

"Our system is outrageously wasteful," said Kushner. She argued that there is no shortage of hospital beds in Canada, but that there is great misuse of these beds.

"We found gross differences (between countries) in how long people stay in hospitals. . . . For uncomplicated, natural births, the average stay in hospital is four days in Canada but only 48 hours in the United States," she said.

Rachlis doesn't believe his opinions are radical. "I'm not saying anything that every government task force in the last 15 years hasn't already said. . . . In Second Opinion we just attempt to take (those ideas) and put it in an understandable format."

"To the extent the text is readable, it's to Carol's credit," said Rachlis. To the extent it's scientifically accurate, it's mine." Recently released by Collins Publishers, Second Opinion is available in bookstores.

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Organizations and People



At the planning meeting for the May 21 United Jewish Appeal Walk and Festival are Festival co-chairmen Judy and David Engel and Walk chairman Elaine Lightstone.

UJA Walk set for May 21

By
ESTHER MEHR
TORONTO —

The 20th annual United Jewish Appeal Walk for Israel, to be held on Sunday, May 21, will zero in on the need for world Jewry to assume a greater portion of the enormous costs entailed in the resettlement and integration of Jewish immigrants coming to Israel.

All monies raised through sponsorship of the Walk, will be funnelled toward alleviating Israel's financial burden with regard to absorption of Jews from all over the

world. Since 1948, 1.8 million Jews from every area of the globe have been integrated into the mainstream of Israeli society.

Thousands from Eastern Europe, Arab lands and Ethiopia arrived with little more than the clothes on their backs. Yet Israel welcomed them and nurtured them — young and old.

For the first time, the Walk committee chaired by Elaine Lightstone, has planned two routes — one beginning from the Bathurst Heights Public Library (on

Bathurst one block north of Lawrence), the other from the Promenade Mall in Thornhill. Registration from both starting points is from 7.30 to 9.30 a.m.

Checkpoints along the Walk route have been designated for locations from which Israel absorbed Jewish immigrants over a 40-year period.

All washrooms and checkpoints on the northern route are wheelchair accessible and designed to meet the needs of all persons with disabilities.

Once again, the North

Branch Jewish Community Centre will be the site for a community Festival, chaired by David and Judy Engel. Entertainment, exhibits, food and drink will be featured here from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Hundreds of volunteers are needed for both the Walk and Festival. To help out, please call 635-2883, ext. 190 and 158, or drop by UJA Walk and Festival headquarters at 4600 Bathurst and sign on.

Winnipeg's BBW opens its first office

By
MYRON LOVE

WINNIPEG —

Dignitaries joined a crowd of about 100 people in officially opening B'nai B'rith Women of Winnipeg's first office in this city.

Addressing the gathering were Winnipeg Mayor Bill Norrie and Ruth Rose, national president of B'nai B'rith Women of Canada, of Toronto.

The 3-room office in north Winnipeg includes a reception area, a boardroom and a work room. A part-time regional director is to be hired to staff the office.

With about 225 members currently, BBWW has been active here for about 40 years. "We have felt the need for an office," says Betty Elfenbaum, the organization's immediate past president.

"The problem was funding. We have had to work

out of our homes. Last year though we received permission from the Multicultural Council to work several bingos and receive a share of the funds raised."

In spite of being without a permanent home, BBWW has long been active in the community in a wide variety of areas. The service organization holds monthly birthday party celebrations for residents of the city's Jewish extended care homes providing refreshments and entertainment. As well, it arranges a yearly Chanukah party and a yearly picnic for residents of the Sharon Home, the major Jewish extended care facility here.

BBWW members visit hospitals, particularly the North Winnipeg Seven Oaks Hospital, on a regular basis and sponsor an annual Pesach seder at Seven Oaks.

"We have it on a night other than the first two," says Elfenbaum. "We

supply only the refreshments. Rabbi Y. Charytan, the Jewish hospital chaplain, comes in for the seder."

BBWW also supplies clothing for needy children through the schools, layettes for poor women taking pre-natal classes at the Mount Carmel Clinic and it has a bowling league for mentally handicapped women.

In Israel, it supports B'nai B'rith Women of Canada's children's home for emotionally disturbed boys. As well, it supports the national office's efforts to aid battered women.

"We are looking into the need for an apartment for Jewish abused women," says Elfenbaum, who noted Toronto has such a facility.

For September, BBWW is planning its first ever weekend retreat for women interested in Judaic studies.

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Organizations and People

University of Graz called a hotbed of anti-semitism

Nazi laws said copied from 1920 Austrian party

By
BILL GLADSTONE

TORONTO —

Some of Nazi Germany's anti-semitic laws of the 1930s were copied from an Austrian political party of the 1920s called the German National Socialist Workers Party, an Austrian university professor says.

Dieter Binder, a history professor at the University of Graz who spoke in Toronto recently on Jews in Austria: Anti-semitism across Party Lines in the 19th and 20th Centuries, said that laws disenfranchising Jews as full-fledged citizens were devised in Austria.

"Legal inequality, certificates of Aryan descent,

the (unequal) treatment of half-Jews and quarter-Jews — this was in fact the anti-semitic program of the German National Socialists which they and their Furrher Hitler only needed to copy from their Austrian colleagues."

For decades, Binder said, the Austrian anti-semites "called for an active anti-Semitism which would

bring about the final solution of the Jewish Question. Many Austrians thus paved the way" for the Nazis.

Graz in particular was a hotbed of anti-semitism. When there was a lack of apartments in that city, citizens formed a political action committee called the Organization of Individuals Seeking Apartments whose program consisted largely in blaming the Jews for taking up living space.

Likewise, such groups as

the German-Austrian Organization of Railway Employees, the National Organization of Private Employees in Austria and the National League of German-Austrian Military Officers also blamed the Jews as the source of all social ills.

"Whenever the interests of these individual groups failed to be realized," Binder said, "the Jews were immediately declared scapegoats and

furnished with appropriate epithets such as 'red,' 'striving for world domination,' 'rich' and so on."

Binder said Austrian anti-semitism reached a peak after World War I, then subsided until the deepening world economic crisis of 1929.

Ironically, Binder noted that it was Theodor Herzl's unfavorable experiences as a Jew in his native Austria that influenced him in his ideas about the creation of

a Jewish state.

After the war, Austrian politicians who may have been Nazi victims themselves nonetheless facilitated the reintegration of former Nazis into Austrian society.

The professor made no mention of his country's controversial president, Kurt Waldheim.

Binder's talk was one of the Joseph and Gertie Schwartz Memorial Lectures.

BIU supporter dead

TORONTO —

A man who escaped from a death camp and led partisan fighters in the forests of Poland, Arnold (Avraham Yaacov) Finkler, died in Miami earlier this month following open heart surgery.

Finkler survived the Holocaust and came to Canada in 1948.

A developer, he became a generous supporter of communal causes, Bar-Ilan University in Israel benefitting particularly from his efforts.

He was a scion of the Radashitzer rabbinical dynasty, Rabbi J. B. Friedberg of Beth Tzedec Congregation, said in his eulogy. "Like King Saul he stood head and shoulders above those around him," the rabbi said.

Finkler was a member for the past 12 years of the international board of trustees of Bar-Ilan University, and a former chairman of the Canadian Friends. He and his wife, Leona, endowed the Marilyn Finkler Cancer and AIDS Research Centre at Bar-Ilan named after their daughter who died at age 19 from cancer. They were responsible for establishing the Holocaust Studies Centre there.

"Virtually every university project undertaken in the last 10 years was blessed by them," said Bar-Ilan chairman Ludwig Jesselson.

Rabbi Emanuel Rackman, chancellor of the university, also took part in the funeral service.



Arnold Finkler

Finkler was a teacher of Jewish history and religion in Poland. He lost his first wife and a son and a total of 80 members of his family at Treblinka.

Compelled to labor in an ammunition factory, he plotted and executed a dramatic escape in such a way that there would be no reprisals.

He met Leona at the Starachowice camp in

Poland in 1943 and after his years as a partisan they met again in Lodz in 1945.

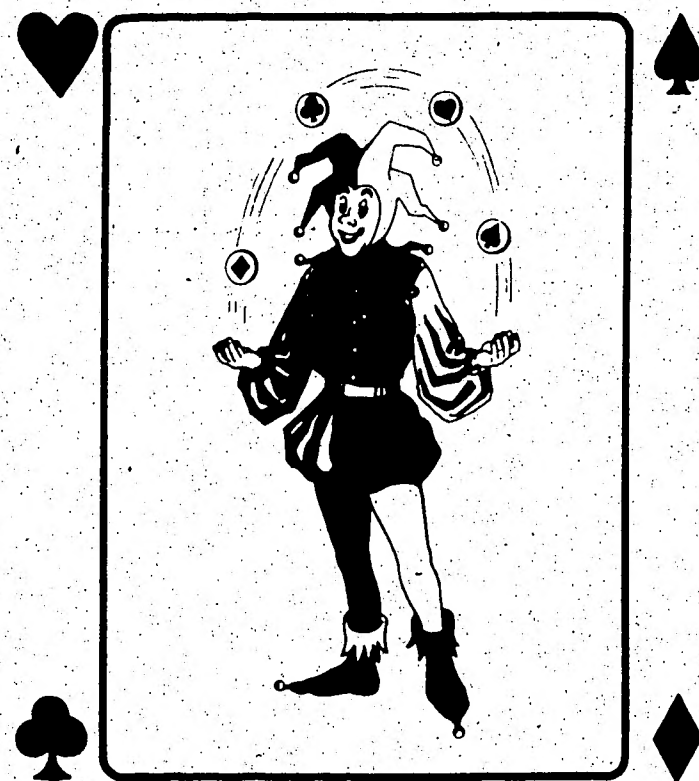
Finkler was an honorary vice-president of the Jewish National Fund of Canada and a member of the Baycrest Board of Governors.

"There was a nobility of character coming out of the household of Radshitz," Friedberg said. "It combined tenderness and generosity, and with the strength of steel."

"I've rarely met a man who had such nerves of steel and will, and yet as well the marvellous Jewish qualities of 'rachmunus' and love, and the will to live and bounce back. He was like a namesake Avraham, a kind, gentle person and yet when necessary — a warrior."

The funeral service and burial in Beth Tzedec Memorial Park took place April 11.

Surviving besides his wife, are a daughter Patty Friedland, two grandchildren, Jeffrey and Maria, and a brother, Bernard.



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What's New

By
MIRIAM HERMAN

DEADLINE NOTES

Now that the Passover holidays are behind us, the deadlines for the What's New and About People columns return to the regular Thursday, two weeks prior to publication date (that is until the next holiday). The deadline for the May 11 issue is Thursday, April 27, and the deadline for the May 18 issue is Thursday, May 4. I will be at my desk on those days to receive your calls and sort my mail.

Friday, April 28

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

Concert pianist **Lola Julitta Burns** will perform at a birthday celebration at Lincoln Place Nursing Home, 429 Walmer Rd., on Friday, April 28, from 2-3 p.m.

The program will feature dancing, Jewish and semi-classical music. Everyone is welcome.

Sunday, April 30

ROY McMURTRY TO SPEAK

Roy McMurry, former attorney-general of Ontario and former Canadian high commissioner to Britain, will be the guest speaker at the annual Rosalind Smith Memorial Lecture sponsored by Adath Israel Synagogue and Adath Israel Sisterhood on Sunday, April 30. His topic will be Reflections of a Lawyer, Politician and Diplomat.

The time is 8.30 p.m. at the synagogue, 37 Southbourne Ave. Everyone is welcome. There is no admission charge.

REFUGEE PROBLEM IN CANADA

On Sunday morning, April 30, the Holy Blossom Temple Brotherhood Breakfast Club is presenting **Barbara McDougall**, federal minister of employment and immigration, who will be speaking on The Refugee Problem in Canada.

Services are at 9 a.m., breakfast at 9.30. You don't need to be a member to attend. Everyone is welcome — men and women including former members of HBT Alumni.

SHALOM BAYIT

Shalom Bayit — Domestic Peace in the Family is what **Marilyn Horowich** will be discussing at the upcoming Adath Shalom Sisterhood general meeting taking place Sunday, April 30, at 10.30 a.m. at the synagogue, 864 Sheppard Ave. W.

For information, call the synagogue office at 635-0131 or **Viki Rumack** at 783-3569.

ANGRY HARVEST

Carmel, Na'aseh and Tikvah Chapters of Toronto Hadassah-WIZO are presenting the powerful movie, **Angry Harvest**, which was nominated for a 1985 Academy Award as best foreign film.

The date is Sunday, April 30, at 8 p.m. at Ontario Science Centre, Eglinton Ave. E. and Don

Mills Rd.

The charge is \$12.50 which includes home-baked refreshments following the screening. Proceeds are going to Youth Aliyah.

For tickets, call 633-6088.

BETH TZEDEC MEN'S CLUB

At the Sunday, April 30, breakfast meeting of Beth Tzedec Men's Club, **Lyle McBurney**, executive director of the Ontario Association of Alternative and Independent Schools, will be speaking on Jewish Day School, the Provincial Government and the Media: An Unresolved Issue.

Breakfast is at 9.30 a.m., the speaker at 10.

LATE SUMMER BLUES

A recent Israeli film entitled **Late Summer Blues** is being screened by the Jewish Music Society on Sunday, April 30, at 7.30 p.m. in the conference room of the Lipa Green Building, 4600 Bathurst St.

Non-members are welcome for an admission fee of \$6. For information, call 635-2883, ext. 151.

GRAND SOCIETY

GRAND (Grandparents Requesting Access and Dignity) Society, a support group for grandparents, will be meeting on Sunday, April 30, at 1.30 p.m. at 16 Spadina Rd. The guest speaker will be **Rev. John Kerr**.

For information, call 469-5471 or 781-3343.

Monday, May 1

HOLOCAUST COMMEMORATION

On the 46th anniversary of the Warsaw Ghetto uprising, the Canadian Holocaust Remembrance Association is sponsoring a community Holocaust Commemoration on Monday, May 1, at 8 p.m. at the Pride of Israel Synagogue, 58 Lissom Cres. (at Bathurst).

Participating will be **Rabbi Avraham Feder**, of Jerusalem, founder of Maor, Israel, and rabbi emeritus of Beth Tikvah Synagogue; **Kol Nashim** — **Elizabeth Bolton**, **Esther Ghan Firestone**, **Phyllis Angel Greenberg**, **Elizabeth Manson**, **Linda Segal** and **Ruth Slater**; **Sabina Citron**, founder, Canadian Holocaust Remembrance Committee; **Rabbi Harold Lerner** and **Cantor Charles Weinberg**, Pride of Israel Synagogue; **Oren David**, consul of Israel, and **Helen Smolack**, chairman, Canadian Holocaust Remembrance Association.

Six Holocaust survivors, with their children, will light six candles in memory of the 6 Million Jewish men, women and children who perished at the hands of the Nazis.

For further information, phone 781-3571 or 781-8634.

JEWISH DIABETES CHAPTER

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BONDS COCKTAIL RECEPTION

Builders Division, State of Israel Bonds, held a cocktail reception at the home of Ellen and Sid Jelinek. Guest was **Isser Harel** (second from left), founder of Israel's Mossad. With him (from left) are vice-chairman **Barry Zagdabski**, Mr. Jelinek and chairman **Fred Guth**.

Stepping in the Right Direction with guest speaker **Dr. Satyendra Sharma**, physiatrist, department of rehabilitation medicine, Toronto Western Hospital. There will also be a display of orthopedic equipment. Diabetes care products will be available.

The meeting is called for 8 p.m. at Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue, 470 Glencairn Ave.

For further information, call **Esther Schwartz** at 782-2176 or **Shirley Glatt** at 225-1899.

MONDAY MAGIC

Yad Vashem: The Children's Memorial will be discussed by **Lou VanDelman**, executive director, Canadian Society for Yad Vashem, at the Monday, April 30, meeting of Monday MAGIC which takes place from 9.30-11.30 a.m. at Beth Tzedec Synagogue, 1700 Bathurst St.

Monday MAGIC is a women's group that meets Monday mornings at Beth Tzedec. Babysitting is available from newborns up.

Tuesday, May 2

T'NACH STUDY GROUP

On Tuesday, May 2, the T'nach Study Group will be focusing on the Book of Judges, Chapters XVII and XVIII, with **Rabbi Pincas Tessler**.

The group meets at 8.15 p.m. at Associated Hebrew Schools, 3630 Bathurst St.

Wednesday, May 3

ANOREXIA BULIMIA GROUP

The Anorexia Bulimia Family Support Group meets the first Wednesday of each month at the North York Branson Hospital, 555 Finch Ave. W. (Finch and Bathurst). The next meeting will be Wednesday, May 3, at 7.30 p.m. in the Trillium Room. All community members are welcome.

For further information, contact the National Eating Disorders Information Centre at 595-4156.

WORKMEN'S CIRCLE SERIES

The Workmen's Circle lecture series with **Prof. Emanuel Goldberg**, offered in cooperation with the North York Board of Education, continues (lecture in English) on Wednesday, May 3, at 10 a.m.

The address is 471-3 Lawrence Ave. W. Refreshments will be served and the public is welcome.

BARGAINS GALORE

Branson Hospital Auxiliary is holding a sale of good used clothing and collectables on Wednesday, May 3, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the hospital foyer.

Branson is located at 55 Finch Ave. W.

Thursday, May 4

WOMEN'S CANADIAN CLUB

Guest speaker at the Women's Canadian Club spring luncheon meeting on Thursday, May 4, will be Toronto Star columnist **Gary Lautens**.

The luncheon takes place in the Canadian Room, Royal York Hotel.

For details, call 923-2900.

NAOMI BELL AT LIBRARY

The Yiddish Folk Song — Portrait of a People is the title of **Naomi Bell's** next musical lecture, to take place on Thursday, May 4, at 7 p.m. at Bathurst Heights Library, 3170 Bathurst St. (at Lawrence).

Singing and accompanying herself at the piano, Bell will illustrate, through music, the history and culture of the Jews of Eastern Europe before the Holocaust.

For further information, phone the library at 395-5440.



Naomi Bell

And What Else Is New...

GREAT GAMBLE AND AUCTION

Toronto Hadassah-WIZO's 2nd annual Great Gamble and Auction is set for Sunday, May 7, at 7 p.m. at Ontario Science Centre, 770 Don Mills Rd.

This action-packed evening will be full of fun and good times for one and all featuring an exciting Monte Carlo, fabulous auction and delicious home-baked treats.

Proceeds from this event will support underprivileged children from 30 countries in day care centres and youth villages in Israel.

Tickets are \$10 per person and include refreshments (cash bar available). To order advance tickets, call the Toronto Hadassah-WIZO office at 789-4373, or purchase tickets at the door.

CENTREFEST

The Jewish Community Centre Bloor Y's Centrefest is filled with exciting shows and exhibits this year.

Saturday, April 29 — At 8.30 p.m., Bloor's Candlelight Cabaret presents Two Sides of Three starring Trio Vivant and the Holly Cole Trio. The cost is \$25 per person and includes dessert (cash bar).

Sunday, April 30 — From 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Bloor offers the Toronto Jewish Craft Fair and a book display presented by Israel's Bookstore... At 2 p.m. ads from Toronto's Yiddish press will be presented and **Amon Ajzensztadt** will speak on the Yiddish Press.

For kids on Sunday, the 30th — Singing, stories and puppetry from 10.30-11.30 a.m. and 2-3 p.m. for pre-schoolers to grade 3... Street Theatre for grades 4 and 5 from 10.30-11.30 a.m... Jewelry and craft-making called The Work of Our Hands based on Jewish symbolism for grades 6 and 7 from 10.30-11.30 a.m. and 2-3 p.m.

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Centrefest film series — Sunday, April 30, Mamele; Monday, May 1, Jews on the Screens of Hollywood; Wednesday, May 3, Late Summer Blues; Thursday, May 4, Outside Chance of Maximilian Glick. All films begin at 8 p.m. and admission is free.

Tuesday, May 2, — City Forum — A conversation with **John Sewell** at 8 p.m.

The Bloor Y is located at 750 Spadina Ave. (at Bloor). The phone number is 924-6211.

LZA-FARBAND TRIP TO ISRAEL

The LZA-Farband trip to Israel May 3-17 still has a few seats available. This is a first class tour run in conjunction with the Canadian Association for Labor Israel (CALI) and led by **Col. Yaa-cov Erez** and chaver **Harry Weinstock**.

You will participate in the Yom Ha'atzmaut celebrations in Jerusalem, meet with members of the Knesset and leaders of the Histadrut, and also participate in the official opening of the clinic in Yavneh — all at a moderate cost.

For details, call the Farband office at 630-9444.

PROFESSIONALIZE YOURSELF

There is still some space available in the spring session of Professionalize Yourself, a unique course offered by the Leah Posluns Theatre School.

People from every area of business and the professions have learned acting techniques to help communicate more skilfully and to upgrade their presentation skills.

The course includes improvisation, relaxation, awareness, voice and video-taping session.

Call **Valerie** now for information at 636-1880, ext. 271.

BOUTIQUE & CRAFT SHOW

A boutique-style craft show, sponsored by Na'amat Canada-Pioneer Women, is coming to North York Hall/Mall (lower level of Public Library), 5110 Yonge St. on Sunday, May 7, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

In addition to the hourly door prizes and home-baked goodies (other refreshments will be available) there will be Mother's Day gifts in abundance plus makeup demonstrations, bridal head pieces, jewelry, silk flower arrangements, hand-knitted and embroidered children's wear, toys, games, hand-painted and embroidered sweatshirts and much, much more.

Of particular interest will be two noted artisans — **Lee Aldridge** who will be demonstrating her bread dough sculptures and **Dr. Gordon Baker** who will be selling and demonstrating the ancient art of Chinese brush painting.

Proceeds will go to charity. Admission is \$1 for adults, free for children.

YOUTH DEBATING WEEKEND

The Holy Blossom Senior Temple Youth (HABSTY) organization hosted this year's North Eastern Lakes Federation of Temple Youth (NELFTY) Debating Weekend. The 3-day event took place April 14-16 at Holy Blossom Temple and Forst Hill Collegiate Institute.

It was attended by about 250 youth from various cities in the U.S. and Canada, including Cleveland, Rochester, Buffalo, Ottawa, Montreal and many other smaller communities as well. The region meets nine times yearly for social action programs, for study and to meet other teens.

Laura Jacob is president of HABSTY. Coordinators of the debating weekend were **Jennifer Green** and **Amy Ballon**.



TORAH STUDY

Shneur David Levine (left) and Aryeh Winariz were among pupils in Eitz Chaim Schools in Willowdale recently reading their first sentence of Torah in the traditional way — from parshat Vayikra. The tradition states: "Let the pure ones (children) come and study about pure things" (the sacrifices that Vayikra describes).

60 AND HOLDING

The organization 60 And Holding is an ongoing nutrition counselling and weight reduction program geared to both men and women 55 years of age and over.

Group sessions are led by a fully qualified professional dietician and are held at the Wagon Centre, 55 Ameer Ave.

The next session begins Monday, May 1, at 7.30 p.m. and will run for eight weeks.

For information about registration and fees, call 789-5131, ext. 2267.

KOSHER SNACKS

Corporate Foods, manufacturer of baked breads and rolls, is now importing a line of kosher snack food items from the U.S. These products (cakes and cookies) are sold under the Drakes label and have the OU-D symbol of certification.

The certification was given under the supervision of **Rabbi Menachem Genack**, rabbinic administrator, Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America.

SPRING BAZAAR

Spring into spring with B'nai B'rith Women's bazaar on Sunday, May 7. This 1-day fund raising event returns to the conveniently located St. Lawrence Market, 92 Front St. E. The doors are open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

This year the bazaar includes a number of outstanding features, such as door prizes (grand prize of \$2,000 in cash, second prize of an HQ VHS-VCR courtesy of Mitsubishi), afternoon auction, great foods and produce, interesting boutiques, new and gently used clothing, household items, all day family entertainment and commercial booths.

Tickets are \$2 each. Children under 12 are admitted free of charge.

CARING FOR CAREGIVERS

If you are feeling the burden of caring for an elderly person in the community, or if you know someone who is, you can participate in the Caring for Caregivers project at Baycrest Centre simply by phoning 789-5131, ext. 3077.

The program offers counselling, education workshops, and support groups. It is non-sectarian and available, free of charge, to families in Metro Toronto.

LUNCH & FASHION SHOW

Shaareh Haim Sisterhood is sponsoring a Mother's Day Lunch and Fashion Show on Sunday, May 7, featuring designer **Freda Iordanous**, a leading Canadian designer and manufacturer of career apparel.

It all takes place at Markham Suites Hotel, 8500 Warden Ave., Markham, beginning at 12.15 p.m. with punch, followed by lunch at 12.45 and the fashion show at 2.

Tickets are \$25. Reservations are necessary. Call **Allison Field** at 886-0685.

TORONTO WATERCOLOR SOCIETY

The Toronto Watercolor Society is holding its annual spring juried show at the North York YMCA, 576 Sheppard Ave. E., from April 30 to May 21. Exhibit hours are 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. weekdays and 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. weekends.

The opening ceremonies will take place Sunday, April 30, from 2-4 p.m. Refreshments will be served.

Well-known Toronto artist **Ernestine Tahedl** will be jurying the show.

WORKSHOP FOR CHRONIC DIETERS

Are you at war with your body? How to Win a Losing Battle is a 6-week workshop that will assist you in regulating yourself towards more normalized eating and/or exercising.

Sessions will be held Monday evenings from 7-9 at the Jewish Community Centre Bloor Y branch, 750 Spadina Ave., beginning May 1 and continuing to June 12. The program will be led by **Barbara Fish**, who has a Masters degree in education and is a counsellor in private practice.

To register and for a pre-workshop interview, contact Barbara through the Bloor Y at 924-6211. The fee is \$150.

MONTE CARLO NIGHT

For fun and games, a super duper auction and lots of prizes (grand prize is a 1-week trip for two to Curacao), don't miss Adath Sholom Synagogue's annual Monte Carlo Night on Saturday, May 6, beginning at 9 p.m. at the synagogue, 864 Sheppard Ave. W.

Proceeds of this event are for charitable purposes. In the past several years, Adath Sholom has donated more than \$20,000 to the Hospital for Sick Children from funds raised at its Monte Carlo Nights.

Tickets are \$7 each and can be obtained by calling 635-0131.

MS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Multiple Sclerosis Society needs volunteers for a door-to-door fund raising blitz on the evening of Tuesday, May 30. Team captains, zone captains, canvassers are required. Give as much or as little time as you have. Call **Sharyn** or **Rose** at 922-6065.



ORT TO MEET PHANTOM

An ORT cocktail launch reception in honor of Esther and Elie Mimram and ORT's benefit performance of *The Phantom of the Opera* on Oct. 5 was held recently at the home of Irving and Dorothy Shoichet. From left are: Dr. Martin Dobkin, president of Men's ORT; Esther and Elie Mimram; Sally Waldman, president, Women's ORT, and Mrs. Shoichet.

ISRAEL BOUND

Thirteen students enrolled in the 2-year teacher training course at Beth Jacob High School and Seminary leave Tuesday, May 2, for six weeks of study in Israel.

In addition to regular classwork and lectures, the students will visit important personalities and sites. On their return to Toronto they will publish a journal about their experiences. **Akiba Stefanski**, principal of Beth Jacob High School and of the Seminary, will be joining the group during the program. The coordinator of the program in Israel is **Sarah Finkel**.

MID-LIFE SEPARATION & DIVORCE

Finding oneself alone after many years of marriage can be devastating. Jewish Family & Child Service is offering a 6-session course on Mid-Life Separation and Divorce.

It will deal with coping with change, finding one's own identity, starting a new social life, feeling more secure financially, and letting go of the past.

Sessions begin Wednesday, May 10, from 7.30-9 p.m. at the Lipa Green Building, 4600 Bathurst St., 6th floor. The fee is \$40 (scholarships upon request).

For information and registration, call **Freda** at 638-7800, ext. 211.

ART RENTAL & SALES EXHIBIT

The Art Rental and Sales Gallery at the Art Gallery of Ontario opens its major exhibition of the year, *The Curators Choose*, on Thursday, May 4. Organized and coordinated by volunteers, it runs until June 18.

As the title implies, all the works in the exhibit have been chosen by curators of the AGO. Each of the seven curators has selected five or six contemporary Canadian works including drawings, prints, sculpture and photographs, all produced over the past 10 years.

It is an unprecedented opportunity for the pub-

lic to rent or purchase works chosen by leading museum experts.

EMBRACEABLE YOU

The Canadian premiere of the romantic comedy *Embraceable You* opens at the Leah Posluns Theatre on Wednesday, May 3, and will run to May 27.

Starring **Jacqueline Scott** and **Tom Troupe**, it is written by **Richard Baer** and directed by **Don Eitner**.

For tickets, call the box office at 630-6752.

NEW AGEING NEWSLETTER

Senior Care has launched the first issue of its *New Ageing* newsletter. This innovative newsletter is aimed at providing new information and new attitudes plus updates on all Senior Care programs which focus on independence for the elderly in their own homes.

The first issue includes three exclusive interviews with leading authorities in the fields of gerontology and geriatrics — **Blossom Wigdor**, founder and head of the University of Toronto's gerontology program; **Michael Mendelson**, assistant deputy minister with the ministry of community and social services, and **Dr. Kenneth Shulman**, director of psychiatry and head of the division of geriatric psychiatry at Sunnybrook Medical Centre.

New Ageing is published three times a year and is available by writing to Senior Care, 530 Wilson Ave., 3rd floor, North York M3H 1T6, or call 635-2860.

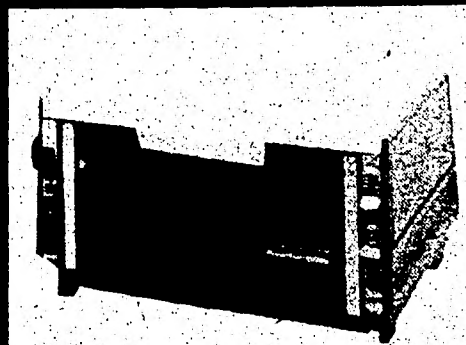
VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

If you are a bingo enthusiast, there are volunteer jobs (day and evening commitments) available in various bingo halls in the North York area.

The Red Cross creation crafts program in North York would like to have volunteers who

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would knit, sew, quilt or do crafts at the Wednesday afternoon work bee, or to do work at home. Materials must be picked up and delivered by the volunteer.

For either of these volunteer positions, call the North York Volunteer Centre at 481-6194.

FOR PARENTS & PRE-SCHOOLERS

The North York Board of Education is offering programs to parents with their pre-schoolers to help them learn more about child development, child management and meeting with other parents.

The programs are Enjoying Your Infant for children up to 12 months; Enjoying Your Toddler for children 1-2 years of age, and Drop In Centres for children 1-4 years.

Brochures and further information may be obtained by calling Continuing Education at 229-5507.

PERFORMING ARTS CAMP

The Etobicoke School of Dance Arts, a non-profit educational project of the Danny Grossman Dance Co., directed by **Jacque Foesier**, has created a Performing Arts Day Camp at the company studios, 48 Fieldway Rd., in Etobicoke.

The camp runs for two periods — July 4-21 and July 24-Aug. 11.

The mornings are for children 6-11 years, who will participate in dance, creative drama and a music makers program.

The afternoons are for teens 12-16 years, who are seeking intensive study in ballet, jazz and musical production.

For information, contact **Jacque Foesier** at 234-9771 or 636-1880, ext. 237.

CERAMIC WORKSHOP

Workshop in the City will be held May 26-28 at New College, University of Toronto, with internationally-known ceramic artists **Everette Busbee** and **Jeff Oestreich**. The conference is sponsored by Fusion: The Ontario Clay and Glass Association, a non-profit organization dedicated to the promotion of hand-crafted Ontario clay and glass.

The agenda includes tours of Toronto galleries featuring unique clay and glass, a social get-together at the U of T; slide shows, lectures and demonstrations plus the annual general meeting and conference banquet.

For further information, contact **Elin Racine** at 923-7406.

CAMPUS CONNECTION

The Jewish students at Glendon, Ryerson, Seneca and Scarborough get together on a regular basis under the auspices of the Jewish Community Centre. This coming week's programs include —

Ryerson — Bagel brunch Friday, April 28, 11:40 a.m. to 1:40 p.m. in the Club Room. A discussion on Date Rape presented by **Debbie Parent** of the Rape Crisis Centre on Wednesday, May 3, from 11:40 a.m. to 1:40 p.m. in the Club Room. Refreshments will be served.

Seneca — A discussion on Stress and You on Tuesday, May 2, from 11:40 a.m. to 1:40 p.m. Meet at the portables. A discussion on Date Rape by **Debbie Parent** on Thursday, May 4, at 11:40 a.m. in the portables. Refreshments will be served.

Also, take note that all Glendon, Ryerson,



MEMBER'S EVENING

The night before the recent Israel Philharmonic Orchestra and Toronto Symphony Orchestra concert, the Toronto Chapter of the Canada-Israel Cultural Foundation hosted a member's evening at the home of **Nancy Posluns** to welcome **Sharon Kam** (centre), 17-year-old Israeli clarinetist who was one of the featured soloists. With her are co-chairman of the evening **Pearl Drabinsky** (left) and **Sandy Wise**.

Seneca and Scarborough students are invited to come out and have a great time on Thursday, May 11, at 9 p.m. at Yuk Yuks. Call **Lysa Springer** to reserve your spot by May 8. The number is 636-1880, ext. 228.

at the jcc

Registration has begun for Bloor Y summer camp for children 5-10 years of age. Call **Beverly Brock** at 924-6211.

The original JCC Singles 50 Plus invites you to a May Flower dance on Saturday, May 6, at 8 p.m. at the Jewish Community Centre North-East Valley branch, 7015 Leslie St. Disc jockey **Don Del Greco** will be on hand. There will be a cash bar, refreshments and prizes. Admission is \$6. For more information, call **Mimi** at 889-0813.

Singles Network is holding a coffee and games night on Sunday, May 7, at 8 p.m. at the Valley, 7015 Leslie St. Admission is \$3. For information, call **Luni** at 889-0813.

for seniors

Beth Tzedec Friendship Club Plus 50 is holding a musical luncheon on Tuesday, May 2, featuring singer **Batsheva Abramovici** in a program of Israeli songs for Yom Hashoah. The time is 12:30 p.m. The charge is \$7.50 and reservations are necessary. Call 781-3511.

Senior Adult Services of the Jewish Community Centre, 4588 Bathurst St., has two important programs coming up — On Tuesday, May 2, Learning Experiences is presenting a talk entitled Israel at the Crossroads: What Next? with **David Weinberg**, director of research and education, Canada-Israel Committee. It takes place at 1 p.m. in Room 203-204. Refreshments will be served. The charge is 25¢ members, 50¢ non-members. For information, call **Teme Kernerman** at 636-1880. In cooperation with North York Board of Education, Senior Adult Services is offering a 5-week course on Memory Building with instructor **Harriet Sharkey**, beginning Thursday, May 4, from 1-3 p.m. in Room 208. This is free for seniors 65 and over, \$2 per class for those under 65. Register at the front desk as soon as possible as registration is limited to 25 people. Call **Teme Kernerman** at above number for information.

LZA Seniors Club has put together a full program of activities for the next few months, starting with the monthly luncheon meeting on Wednesday, May 10, at the Borochoy Centre, 272 Codsell Ave. At this lunch there will be free bingo with prizes. Also, members will be signing up for the deluxe tour to Ottawa June 13-14 at the Aristocrat Hotel (one night). It will include visits to the new Art Gallery and the Parliament Buildings plus a complete tour of the city. Bingo under the chairmanship of **Shlomo Goren** will be held every second Wednesday from 1:30-4 p.m. Movie committee chairman **Mrs. Shlomo Mitzmacher** promises a movie every second week. The 5-star luxury trip to the Catskills in July (8 days, 7 nights) includes meals, hotel, snacks, entertainment. In August, there is a trip to Muskoka including a 2½-hour lake cruise, lunch on the boat and a new stage show at the Gravenhurst Opera House. All of these special events will be going along with shuffleboard every Tuesday and Thursday evening, cards, socials and entertainment daily from noon to 4 p.m. with light lunches available. All activities take place at the Borochoy Centre. For details, call 633-8579.

Canadian Israeli Club Aluma for Israelis and Hebrew-speaking persons 55 and over, meets every Wednesday evening from 7:30-9:30 at the Wagman Centre, 55 Ameer Ave. At the May 3 meeting, a film will be shown to mark Yom Hashoah. Admission is \$1. For further information, call **Avraham Leibovich** at 633-2630.

Earl Bales Seniors Club is holding a dance with a live band on Sunday, April 30, from 8-11 p.m. at Earl Bales Community Centre (in the park at Bathurst and Sheppard). Admission is \$3 members, \$4 non-members. Ongoing activities offer shuffleboard on Monday and Wednesday mornings and tai chi on Mondays from 10-11 a.m. in the community centre. And in the club house there is bridge on Mondays, 1-3:30 p.m.; ballroom and line dancing on Tuesdays, 10 a.m. to noon; art class on Tuesdays, 1:30 p.m.; fitness on Wednesdays 10-11 a.m. The first bus trip of 1989 goes to Kitchener on Monday, May 1, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Bring your own lunch. There will be a coffee stop. This is for members only and the cost is \$11. On Wednesday, May 3, there is bingo, 1-3 p.m. A Yiddish movie *Eli Eli* (English subtitles) will be screened at 7 p.m. at the club house. Refreshments will be served. Admission is free for members, \$1 for non-members. Thursday, May 4, offers Rummikub from 12:30-3:30 p.m. For further information about all activities and for reservations, call **Jeanette** at 636-7856.



PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST

The Neptune branch of Associated Hebrew Schools recent annual public-speaking contest was first conducted in each class from which six finalists were selected. The judges, **Elizabeth Vowles** (far left), **Rabbi Howard Sacknovitz** (at back) and **Isobel Berlin** (far right) are seen here with winners (from left) **Elliot Stutz**, second place, **David Cohen**, first place, and **Mara Berman**, third place. [Nicole Marjowitz photo]



CANADIAN FARBAND PROJECT

The Candian Farband has undertaken to build an Amal Technological School at the memorial for the soldiers of the IDF signals and electronic corps. To inaugurate the Toronto portion of the Farband campaign, a brunch will be held June 4 at the Borochoy Centre with guest speaker **Eliezer Rafaeli** and also honoring Toronto Farband City Committee chairman **Harry Weinstock** and LZA Seniors president **Jack Goldbach**. From left are: **Ben Himel**, national vice-president; **Goldbach**, **Weinstock** and **Joseph Krystal**, Farband chairman, **Yehud project**. For reservations, call 630-9444.

Shaarei Shomayim Friendship Club, 470 Glencairn Ave. — A lecture is planned for Monday, May 1, at 1 p.m. And on Monday, May 8, Introduction to Israel, a lecture and film documentary with **Mr. Fruchtman** on Youth Aliyah is set for 1 p.m. The Israel trip in November is being finalized. The Catskills trip to the Homowack Hotel in July is just about completed. Reservations are still being taken. The 30,000 Island cruise to Midland by bus on Wednesday, June 14, is in the planning and will soon be filled. For information about all activities, contact **Lena** at 785-5773 or **Ruth** at 224-5923.

Senior Sinai's Golden Book is still ongoing. Place your donation with **Frances Malkin** at 226-3252 or **Ida Himmelstein** at 630-3862 between 7 and 9 p.m.

Second Mile Club exists to help older adults understand their aging process, to assist in retaining their independence through outreach programs and to provide social environments with peers on a multi-faceted level. The Second Mile Club, which now has seven chapters in Metropolitan Toronto, has been operating since 1947. For information, call 597-0841.

At the **Wagman Centre**, 55 Ameer Ave. — Jewish Ethics and Philosophy rabbi lecture series starts Tuesday, May 2, from 2:30-3:30 p.m. with a lecture entitled Can We Expect Yosher (Justice) in the World? with **Rabbi Joseph Kellman** of Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Synagogue. The series will run to June 27. The movie, *Nothing in Common*, Part 1, starring **Jackie Gleason** and **Tom Hanks** will be shown on Sunday, April 30, from 2-3 p.m. in the Assembly Room. 60 and Holding, a nutrition counselling and weight reduction program, begins an 8-week session on Monday, May 1, at 7:30 p.m. Group sessions are led by a fully qualified professional dietician. For information about registration, dates and fees, call 789-5131, ext. 2267.

CENTRE FOR CREATIVE LIVING

The **Bernard Betel Centre for Creative Living** is located at 1003 Steeles Ave. W. The phone number is 225-2112.

A Sunday cards and games afternoon, organized by the Ways and Means Committee, is set for April 30, at 1 p.m. Bring your own cards and sets, and also all your friends and have a great time. There will be door prizes, refreshments and a raffle. This fund raising event is open to the

public. Admission is \$3.

A book and crafts sale is being held on Monday, May 1, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The Lifelong Learning Institute is offering several courses in cooperation with North York Board of Continuing Education. There is no charge for seniors and members. Non-members under 65 are charged \$2 each class. For information, call **Bookie Kwart** at 225-2112. The courses include —

Computers for Seniors with **Sam Povering** begins Wednesday, May 3, for eight classes. Pre-registration is required.

Development of Western Civilization: Achievement in Arts, Science and Technology from the Greeks to the Present with **Prof. Earl Reidy** starts Tuesday, May 9, from 10 a.m. to noon.

Mostly Music: From Cantors to the Catskills with **Michael Wex** continues on Monday, May 8, from 1-2 p.m.

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Mount Sinai Hospital recently marked the generosity of **Helene and Reuben Dennis** with the dedication of the administrative offices and a research laboratory in the Mount Sinai Hospital Research Institute.

Approximately 50 friends, family members and hospital officials joined the Toronto couple on Thursday, April 13, at a special ceremony honoring the Dennis dedication.

Reuben Dennis is one of Toronto's first and leading developers. The Thomson Building, Sutton Place Hotel and Brentwood Towers are only a few of the fine buildings that bear the Dennis name.

YIDDISH POEMS INTO MUSIC

Musical renditions of some of Yiddish poet **Samuel Simchovitch's** verse, by **Gurion Hyman**, were premiered at a recent gathering in

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Toronto. In his toast to the two, **Leslie Train**, a professor in the expanded Yiddish program at the University of Toronto, said, "We have to give due credit and appreciation to the creative geniuses in our midst."

Hyman, a pharmacist, linguist and pianist, composed a variety of liturgical music, including a score of the entire Passover Hagaddah. Simchovitch, newly retired longtime curator of the Beth Tzedec Museum, recently published an anthology of some of his personal and historical poetry.

BIBLE CONTEST WINNERS

Stefan Muzin, following in the footsteps of his older brother, was the first place winner in the National Bible Contest in the grade 5-6 Hebrew division. His brother **Nicolas** placed first in the contest two years ago. Both students at Associated Hebrew Schools, they are the sons of **Helen and Gary Muzin**.

Kehillat Ahavat Hesed is proud to announce that one of its members, **Josh Lesk**, a 14-year-old student at CHAT, is the 1989 winner in high school Hebrew category. Josh is the son of **Dr. Liba and Dr. David Lesk**.

EDGAR BRONFMAN TO BE HONORED

The American Jewish Historical Society has chosen to present its prestigious Emma Lazarus Award to Montreal-born **Edgar Bronfman**, chairman and chief executive officer of Joseph E. Seagram & Sons, Inc., and head of the World Jewish Congress. The presentation will be made at a dinner at the Westin Hotel Copley Place in Boston on Tuesday, May 9.

The Emma Lazarus Award is given annually to a Jew who has played a major role in improving the human condition.

singles events

Singles Events is an advertising feature of the Canadian Jewish News. **Deadline is Monday, 5:00 p.m., 10 days preceding issue date.** For rates or to place an ad, please call Shayla at 422-2528.

Metro Toronto Singles Presents: **Fourth Annual Victoria Day Singles Weekend**, May 19-22, at Cleveland House Resort. Includes 3 nights accommodation, 3 meals/day. Featuring: Tennis, golf, hot tub party, BBQ, nightly live entertainment, midnight murder mystery and much more. **222-7111**. Optional bus available.

Young Friends of Reena presents a party at The Diamond, 410 Sherbourne St., Sunday, May 21, 8:00p.m. All proceeds go to the Reena Foundation. Tickets \$8.00. Ari Huber 223-8145, Alisa Paikin 969-9894, Steve Isenberg 638-0152, Graham Rosenberg 449-9212, David Ossip 449-0344.

MYSTERY (mis'tere)- "something that remains secret or unknown so as to excite curiosity." Singles are invited to enjoy delectable dining adventures with a "mystery" theme. (May 7&28.\$25). For more info call **MYSTERY MAVENS** at 225-8084.

Metro Toronto Singles Presents: Phantom of the Opera Party at **Berlin**, 2335 Yonge St. (north of Eglinton). Sunday, May 7, 8p.m. Door prize: Phantom of the Opera tickets. \$9.

Metro Toronto Singles Presents: Singles Night at **Stilife**. Sunday, April 30, 8p.m. 217 Richmond St. W. (entrance on Duncan), west of University, south of Queen. Door prize: **Blue Jay Tickets in the Dome**. \$8.

NE PLUS ULTRA

Due to the success of our previous event we are pleased to invite 50 men and 50 women (age 25-45) to a Sunday brunch. **Date:** May 7, 1989. **Time:** 11:30a.m. **Place:** Remy's Restaurant, 115 Yorkville Ave. Cover: \$5 plus a la carte menu. Enjoy!!!

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Organizations and People

Equality Party touted as alternative to Liberals

Quebec anglophones have new political voice

By
JANICE ARNOLD
MONTREAL —

Many of their generation had grown weary of the political climate in Quebec and left. But not Robert Libman and Gerald Klein, both 28.

They have founded their own provincial political party, the Equality Party, which is being presented as an alternative, especially for disgruntled anglophones, to the Liberal Party.

Libman, an architect, is the leader of the party, and Klein, a tax consultant, the president. While there is no formal membership yet, the Equality Party has applied — and expects to soon receive — official party status, having complied with the basic requirement of getting 60 signatures in 10 ridings. It claims a mailing list of 900, and 300 people turned out for the party's inaugural meeting in an NDG community centre last month.

Libman said the party is confident it can field between 10 and 20 candidates in the next provincial election, assuming it is not called before the fall. A St. Laurent resident, Libman is thinking of running in Robert Baldwin on the West Island.

Libman describes the party as dedicated to defending the civil rights of all Quebecers and to bringing back bilingualism in the province. "Anglophones feel betrayed by the Liberals. A party that goes back on its promises can't be



Gerald Klein



Robert Libman

trusted. We feel anyone who votes Liberal now is condoning the suppression of individual rights," he said.

The party's platform calls for linguistic freedom in education and business (including commercial signs), bilingual service from the public sector, and respect for the rights of minorities.

Opposes accord

"We believe the marketplace should determine what language a business operates in," Klein said. He believes even English only signs should not be illegal.

The party is opposed to the Meech Lake constitutional accord because of its lack of protection of linguistic minorities and to "abuses" of the notwithstanding clause in the Constitution.

The Quebec govern-

ment's invocation of the notwithstanding clause to suspend the freedom of expression following last December's Supreme Court ruling on Bill 101's French-only signs provisions was an impetus to getting the party off the ground, but Libman and Klein were already toying with the idea of creating a party last year.

The incident that convinced them that non-francophones would have to look elsewhere than the Liberals for their interests to be represented was the National Assembly's unanimous censure of official languages commissioner D'Iberville Fortier, who suggested Quebec anglophones had been "humiliated" by the province's language laws.

Libman and Klein are political neophytes. The St. Laurent Herzliah High

School graduates say they have never been members of a political party and do not belong to any English-rights group. Libman, married to a francophone Sephardi, says he is fluently bilingual and often speaks French at home. Klein says Libman's French is better than his.

Klein said he does not believe the Equality Party will help elect the Parti Quebecois by splitting the anglophone vote, as some critics have charged. "In the anglophone ridings, the vote for the PQ has been so low, about 15-17%, that the way the rest of the vote splits is not likely to help the PQ."

Klein and Libman are interim leaders and anticipate that the party will hold a convention before the next election where permanent leaders will be elected.

Thus far, the party is primarily grassroots, with no major public figures endorsing it. The guest speakers at its first meeting were entertainer Geraldine Doucet, Neil Cameron, a John Abbott College teacher, and author Jacques Renaud.

Libman said, adding that he is encouraged by the calls of support the party has received (the office's number is 485-1060). The Coalition of Canadian Quebecers, which claims 200 members, endorses the

party, said its leader Eric Helfield, a lawyer and Cote St. Luc city councillor.

For now, the party will concentrate on spreading its message among anglophones, but Libman does not think it is unrealistic to look for support among francophones as well. "We want to destroy the myth that suppressing anglophones helps francophones. Bilingualism should be enriching," Klein and

Libman believe the language restrictions have violated the rights of both anglophones and francophones.

The party's few francophone supporters say they feel the denial of an English education for their children is discriminatory.

Although they know people their age who are leaving the province, the party heads do not see an exodus on the scale of that of the late 70s. "Business-

es are quietly pulling out some of their operations here, but I think most anglophones are waiting to see what happens in the next election."

Once the Equality Party obtains its official status, it will embark on a fund raising and membership campaign. The party is also attempting to broaden its platform, and is developing positions on education, the environment and the economy.



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Organizations and People

Bonds sales soar at event

Dinner honors Zeifmans

By
BELINDA SILBERMAN
TORONTO —

Sales of Israel Bonds soared at a recent dinner held in honor of businessman Sol Zeifman and his wife, Raye.

An estimated \$170,000 (U.S.) worth of Bonds were sold and more pledges — bringing total sales to as high as \$250,000 (U.S.) — are expected as a result of the event organized by the Stopnitzer Society.

"The dinner was a big success," said Lou Wasser, president of the 42-year-old society whose founding members come from a south-central Polish city called Stopnitz.

About 250 people attended the 4-course dinner held at Beth Emeth Bais-Yehuda Synagogue.

Previous Bonds drives organized by the society have resulted in sales of between \$20,000 and \$30,000 (U.S.), although last year a society-organized brunch resulted in an estimated \$35,000 (U.S.) in sales.

Wasser attributed this year's success to the holding of a dinner as opposed to other events, and to honoree Zeifman, who attracted many of the Jewish community's major builders and developers.

The event was also a belated Israel 40th anniversary celebration, Wasser said.

The Zeifmans, who received Bonds' Israel 40th anniversary award, have

been involved in many community activities and are members of Clanton Park Synagogue, said dinner chairman Lou Zeifman.

Sol, a carpenter born in Stopnitz, arrived with his Lodz-born wife, Raye, in Toronto in 1948.

"He came here almost penniless and worked himself up," said Lou, a second cousin.

Sol's Toronto-based business interests include RTA

Furniture, Aristokraft Inc. and Comfort Kitchens.

Attending the dinner were all four of their children, including daughter Hinda Stegman and sons Jerry, Marvin and Henry as well as their spouses.

The couple's six grandchildren — ranging in age from 2 weeks to 20 years old — were also present.

Other relatives included Raye's brother, Martin Kalb, and his family, and 10 cousins belonging to

Sol.

Program participants included grandson Ian Stegman, 20, and granddaughter Marla Stegman, 18, who paid tribute to Raye and Sol; and cousin Max Zeifman, who performed the hamotzi.

Other speakers included Ontario Trade Minister Monte Kwinter, Israel Consul-General Benjamin Abileah, Rabbi Irwin Witty and Willowdale MP Jim Peterson.

Three groups bond to mark Yom Hashoa on May 1

TORONTO —

The Canadian Society for Yad Vashem, Beth Tikvah Synagogue and United Synagogue of America (Ontario Region) will join forces to mark Yom Hashoa V'Hagvurah on May 1, at Beth Tikvah Synagogue (3080 Bayview Ave.) beginning at 8 p.m.

Keynote speaker at the program, entitled From Generation to Generation, will be Johanan Bein, Israel's ambassador to the United Nations.

As well, a Yad Vashem medal will be presented to the latest member of the Righteous Among the Nations: Sandor Kopacsi of Toronto, who will be honored for having rescued Hungarian Jews during World War II.

The honor will be bestowed to Kopacsi by Ben-

jamin Abileah, Israel's consul-general in Toronto.

Following will be a candle-lighting ceremony. Six tapers will be lit, each kindled by and representing survivors, children in memory of the 1.5 million children killed in the Holocaust, Partisans, Jewish war veterans and the Righteous Among the Nations. The last will be lit by Kopacsi and Tibor Almasy of Toronto, who was conferred Righteous Among the Nations in 1987.

A musical selection will feature works arranged by Beth Tikvah composer-in-residence Srul Irving Glick, and performed by the Beth Tikvah Choir, and Cantors Ephraim Sapir of Beth Tikvah and Louis

Danto of Beth Emeth Synagogue.

Special readings will be conducted by Nathan Garlick (in Yiddish), Vivien Reis and Henry Ramar.

There will also be select readings by children. Colors will be presented by members of the Jewish War Veterans of Canada, Toronto Post.

Others to deliver brief addresses will be Rabbi Wayne Allen of Beth Tikvah Synagogue, Dr. Joel Dimitry, co-chairman of the Canadian Society for Yad Vashem and Sam Pasternack, Toronto Post Commander of the Jewish War Veterans of Canada.

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Organizations and People

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Colel Chabad honors Rappaports for friendship

By
ANCIL KASHETSKY

TORONTO —

A Toronto couple was honored by Colel Chabad and its supporters at the organization's 5th annual Malve Malke held recently at Shaarei Shomayim.

Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Rappaport received an award for their long-time friendship and support of Colel Chabad, a charitable foundation established in Jerusalem in 1788 by the founder of the Lubavitch movement, Rabbi Shneur Zalman of

Lyady, Russia.

The event, attended by numerous rabbis from Toronto and New York, was also the occasion to honor Rabbi Henry Hoschander, spiritual leader of Shaarei Shomayim. In addition, an award was presented to Mr. and Mrs.

Ernest Klein for their work for Colel Chabad.

All proceeds of the evening will go to the organization which supports the needy in Israel with charitable activities such as subsidized stores for the poor, distributing heating equipment and medical supplies to the elderly and running summer camps for children. The foundation also distributes hot meals to the aged and needy.

Avram Kaplan, emcee for the evening, told the several hundred guests that the Rappaports were being honored for their long financial and moral support of Colel Chabad, which he called a social welfare vehicle for the needy in Israel.

In handing out the award, Rabbi Shalom Duchman, executive director of Colel Chabad in New York, said the Rappaports had performed a high form of tzedakah over the years "because the work of Colel Chabad eases the pain of somebody else."

He said Toronto should be proud of its contributions to the organization which amount to 15% of its donations.

Rappaport, in accepting the award, told of a recent visit to Colel Chabad's food distribution centre in Safad and recounted a touching story about a poor elderly Jew in Mea She'arim who told him in Yiddish that food given to him by the organization literally kept him alive.

He said the real honoree that evening was the "alter rebbe," Shneur Zalman, the founder of

Chabad, whom he said went where others feared to go. He said Chabad was an organization that combined intellectualism and Jewish mysticism with the boundless love for every single Jew.

He said it was fitting that Colel Chabad was performing such a lofty mitzvah as tzedakah in Israel, the focal centre of God's presence in the world.

Keynote speaker, English-born Rabbi Isaac Swift, former chief rabbi of Australia, and now with Congregation Ahavat Torah, New York, told the gathering the cause which had brought everybody together that evening was a great one. "The kiddushah of tzedakah is unique unto itself."

His remarks concerned mostly Israel, its unique meaning for all Jews, as well as the work of Colel Chabad. He told of the suffering of the Holocaust survivors who arrived in the country, many of whom turned to Colel Chabad in their time of need.

"The land is not enough, nor is statehood. What is important is children will be there and not be lost to the tide of assimilation," Swift said.

He told the gathering to visit Israel and see for themselves what Colel Chabad is doing for the needy and the poor.

Handing out the Kesser Shem Tov award to Rabbi Hoschander, Rabbi Immanuel Shochet, Kielcer congregation, said Hos-

chander was being honored for his special sensitivity to all Jews.

Hoschander said he was grateful to Chabad for the honor given to him that evening and he praised the organization for "strengthening Klal Yisrael."

Marilyn Maierovitz, last year's coordinator, also received an award from the organization for her work.

The event was organized by Abe and Eva Kaplan. Other headtable guests included Rabbi Shmuel Lipster, Colel Chabad, New York; Rabbi Zalman Grossbaum, Chabad Toronto; Rabbi Baruch Taub, Beth Avraham Yosef; Rabbi Mordechai Ochs, Torah Emeth; and Louis Zeifman, president of Shaarei Shomayim.

Seek aid for mental, emotional stability, says Rabbi Gottlieb

By
CYNTHIA GASNER

TORONTO —

If someone has the flu and stays in bed for several days, people understand. But if a person becomes depressed and locks himself in his room for three days, he hides his "problem" and does not admit he was depressed.

"We have a negative attitude to psychological needs," says Rabbi Dale Gottlieb, formerly professor of analytical philosophy of Johns Hopkins University and currently a senior lecturer at Ohr Somayach Tanenbaum College in Jerusalem.

Rabbi Gottlieb was the guest speaker at the annual luncheon of Bikur Cholim and G'milus Chassodim — Jewish Volunteer Service of Toronto.

Speaking on the Validity of Fulfilling Psychological Needs, the rabbi told the supporters of Bikur Cholim, a group of Orthodox women who help the sick and the needy, that in the writings of Chazal (the Sages), the distinction between psychological and physical does not exist.

In his talk, he outlined the attitude of Rambam (Maimonides) who said that certain luxuries and esthetic stimulation are permissible if they help to avoid depression. He cited music, art, poetry, literature, architecture and nature as necessary — the Rambam makes it explicitly analogous to eating.

"Just as a person starving needs food, likewise, a person who has a dependency, needs this kind of stimu-



Rabbi Dale Gottlieb

lation as a preventative medicine." This can help maintain an even psychological keel and ensure our mental health and emotional balance.

Quoting the Shulchan Aruch, he emphasized the importance of taking time off from one's learning to rest and become renewed both physically and psychologically.

When someone is "anxious, nervous, exhausted, unhappy, disappointed," the person cannot be of service to G-d — and it will be inadequate and low quality service, Gottlieb said.

He stressed the importance of seeking help for psychological problems. "If you have a broken leg, you go to a doctor and get a splint or crutch and it heals itself. If you have a psychological problem, you ought to be willing to treat it as you would a physical need."

He cautioned that not everyone who puts out a shingle is qualified. "Help means someone who has proven the ability to help — with or without a degree. It

can be a friend, or an older person in the community, or a trained psychologist."

The Torah, he says, requires us to "change, to mold and to develop psychologically. It gives us a lot of responsibility for our life."

To fulfil mitzvot, one must feel simcha. "Loving G-d, loving another Jew — that means you feel the love." To do good deeds is not enough, he says. "You have to feel the pain of the person who is asking — you have to empathize with him."

The Torah is replete with strategies and techniques for changing emotions, he said. The Sabbath, said the rabbi, provides an opportunity to create the ideal environment. "I set aside the finest foods, my finest clothes and I spend the day learning, davening, singing, reciting poetry, conversing with friends and family. Why shouldn't I be happy?"

In making psychological progress, Gottlieb said it is important to pace your progress. "You can only take those steps which don't disturb your ability to function normally."

A person should take small gentle steps. "As an example, a pole vaulter who can jump 12 feet and wants to jump 18 feet, doesn't set the bar at 18 feet — he'll break his leg or tear a muscle. He sets it at 12.2, then 12.4, then 12.6."

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Block-buster lineup of designers

Cancer society's daffodil fund-raiser comes up roses

By
MARIE MOORE

As the largest single fund-raising project in Ontario for the Canadian Cancer Society and the second largest event in Canada (second only to Daffodil Day) Golden Daffodils — A Bold Fashion Statement is a fashion show with a mission.

With the help of underwriting corporate sponsors and attendance close to 2,000 at the evening performance (tickets were \$50), a total of about \$100,000 was raised. Add

to that more than \$200,000 received from the pricier \$150 luncheon show attended by 1,600 and the society should clear upwards of \$300,000 after expenses. Mission accomplished.

Funds will benefit Trillium, a children's project where youngsters who are afflicted with cancer have an opportunity to meet, talk to and play with other kids who are experiencing this dreaded disease.

As for fashions, they lived up to the show's title — it was a golden oppor-

tunity to feature some bold styles.

The block-buster Creeds signature lineup included Montana, Chloe, Ungaro, Krizia, Paloma Picasso, Zandra Rhodes, John-Paul Gaultier, Christian Lacroix, Sonia Rykiel and Krizia.

Montana's linens combined navy and cream, moss and navy, pink and black, black and white, or various shades of peach with cinnamon, paprika and chamois.

Button-front, high-waisted, wide-legged pants were topped with pleated,

shawl collars or transparent chiffon blouses. Kelly's double-breasted split tunic coat was also notable.

Chloe utilized matching oversized buttons on most pieces. Wrapped shawls folded over the waist, framing adorable shortie blouses in linen/chiffon or silk/chiffon blends. Her palette ranged from silvery gray to brilliant fuchsia and purple.

This designer's Eastern-influence groupings included tangerine chiffon pants and split, slit Nehru-styled coats, emblazoned in to-paze gems and gold braid, highlighted with exquisite turquoise beading.

Rykiel's tennis theme in

black and white dallied with bloomer-shaped shorts, wide, flowing pants (diagonally cut hems) and loose-waisted tops.

Her black-and-powder blue combinations featured a tied-front sweater, diagonally striped top trailing powder blue chiffon scarves with various cuts of severe black pants.

Ungaro's Coventry Florals were a summer garden of oversized versus miniature, faded versus vivid, mixed versus unilateral prints.

Black was blended with fuchsia, purple, emerald, yellow, orange, lime, hot pink and turquoise. Solid

orange, yellow and green jackets topped cheek, wet-look skirts and pretty daisy-patterned blouses.

Also presented were dotted and striped groupings artfully gathered to grace the feminine form, then bedecked in bows or nautical motif. Shirring, flouncing, puckered fabric and glittering accents were utilized throughout the Ungaro collection.

Krizia's Cognec and Tweed selection introduced pearl white to charcoal gray and topped the pair with a classic. Groupings emoted country charm with street-smart styling.

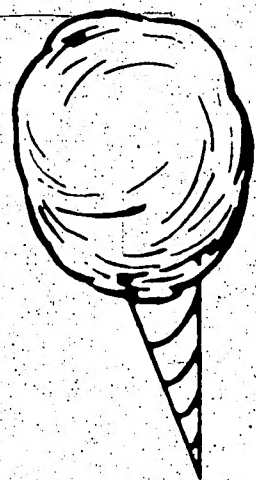
Embossed suedes, solids woollens and traditional tweeds formed unique textured ensembles in warm autumn browns. The audience responded well to the practicality of the pieces — this collection will be a strong seller.

Picasso's infamous lips were featured in ruby red and creatively perched on headbands or worn as accent jewelry. Her gold chains, hand or hang bags and wildly patterned or striped scarves had a high energy impact on everyone in the room.

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Zandra Rhodes designed this ensemble of gold lame under intricately beaded diaphanous silk. (M-J Crete photo)



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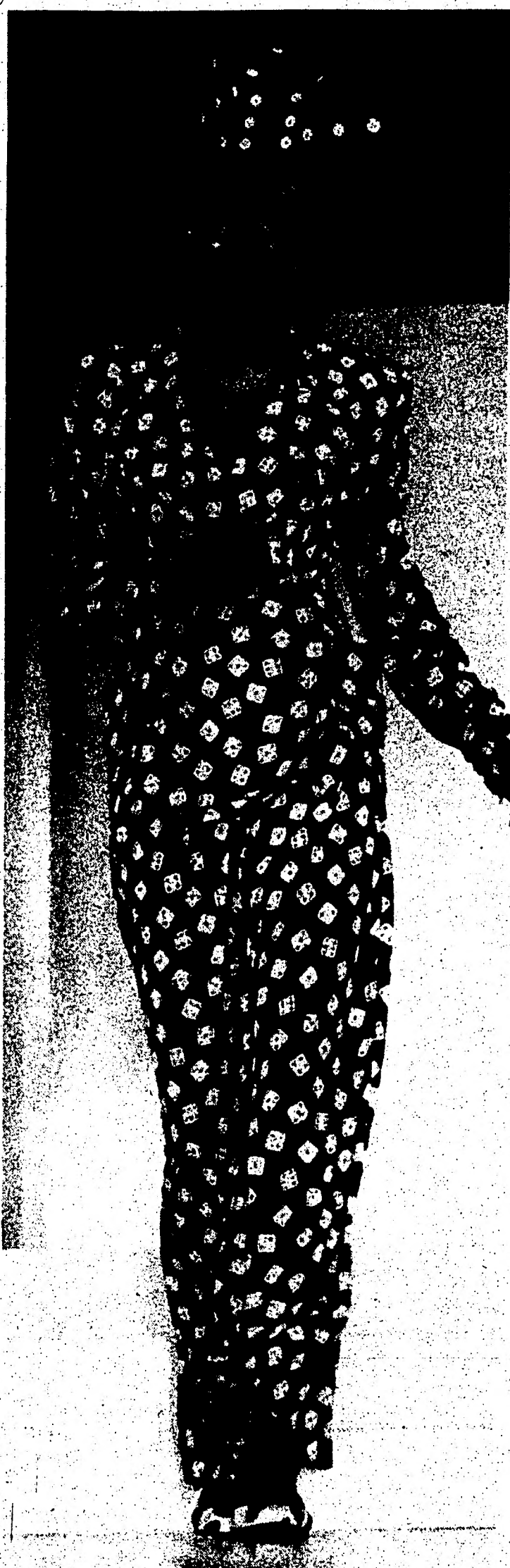
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Patrick Kelly's Las Vegas Lisa (left) and Safari (centre) groupings were hits with the audience as was Canadian designer Wayne Clark's black skirt, striped top and swing coat. (Marie-Josée Crete photos).

American based in Paris

Patrick Kelly's unique cheeky style ...

By
MARIE MOORE

The best of Simpsons international Spring/Summer 89 collections were recent-

ly featured at the Women Who Make a Difference awards ceremony.

Co-sponsored by the chain and Toronto Life Fashion to honor Toronto's

female movers and shakers, the show preceded a lifestyle exposition that featured more than 50 demonstrations, displays, mini-shows and special appearances at the downtown store.

Canadian designers in the show included Wayne Clark (black and white li-

nens with bows) and Loucas (his metallic separates were a hit with the audience).

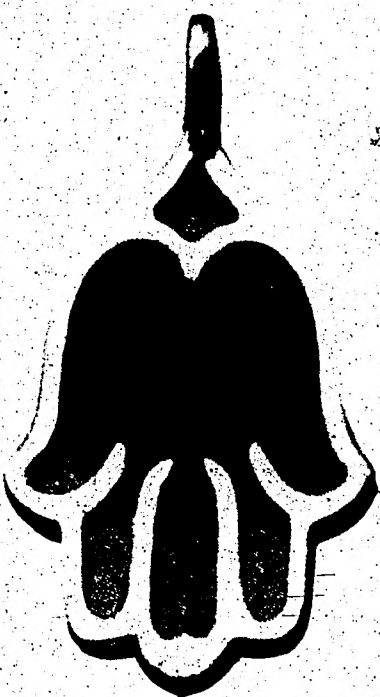
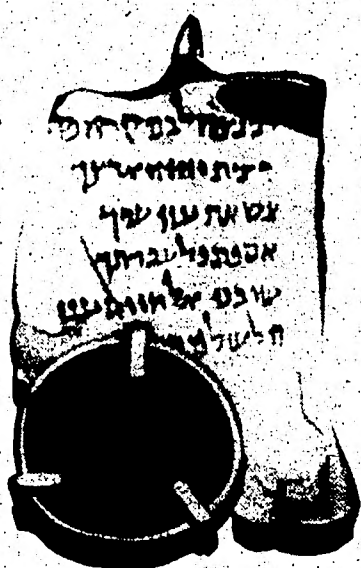
However, headlining the event was the participation of Patrick Kelly. Often referred to as a black American in Paris, this relaxed laid-back designer brings a touch of

sultry sexiness to every garment he makes.

His clothes are cheeky, fun and feminine and have propelled him to the forefront of international recognition.

Admitting pleasant surprise at the almost over-

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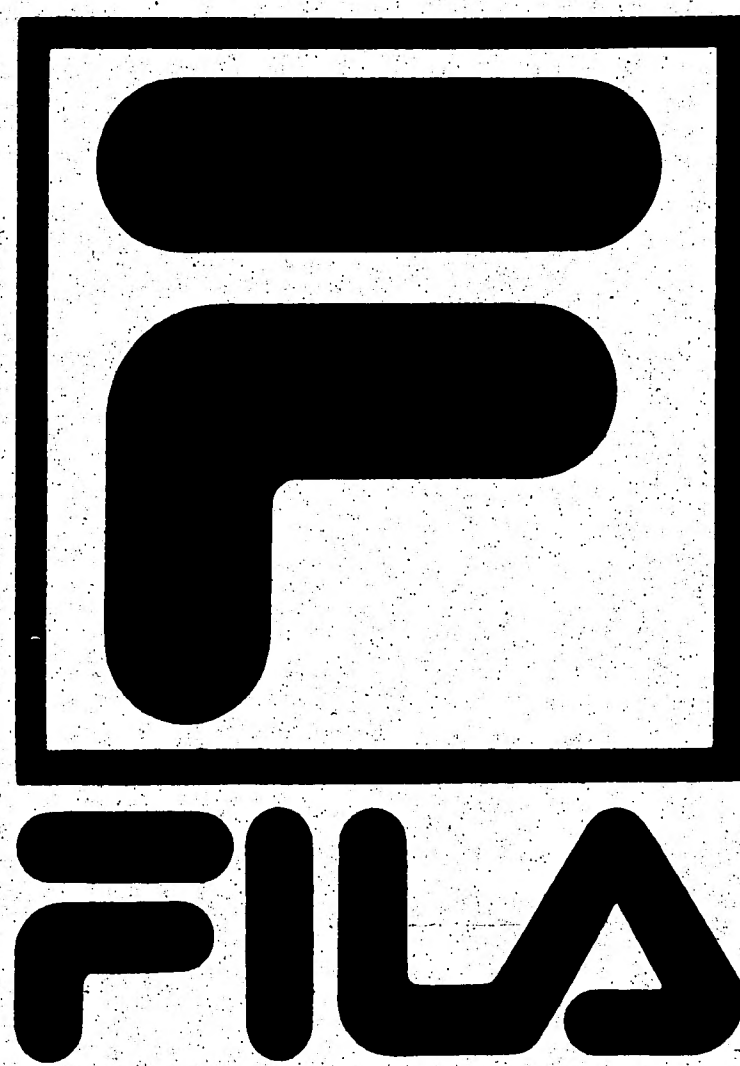
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Fashion

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night acceptance of his clothes and himself by European colleagues, he has nonetheless remained true to his roots which seemed to have kept both feet planted firmly on the ground.

Kelly groupings included Safari — jungle prints in daringly cut, lace bustiers and bra tops or (wooden) toggled jackets and skin tight skirts.

The Bianchina Rose collection featured navy/white/green/red rose prints mixed with black, white and red solid linens. Vivid colors in sophisticated suitings echoed a sassy return of daytime floral.

Las Vegas Lisa was by far this writer's favorite. Black-and-white or gray-and-red separates that clung to every curve were lovingly trimmed in dice — yes, real dice that varied in size from one square inch to three square inches.

Dice were also utilized as accessories. Earrings, pins, bracelets (\$87 at The Room) and necklaces as well as dice-motif belts and buttons shook, rattled and rolled their way down the runway.

It was totally frivolous and completely Kelly.

Softly, colored pink roses on creamy satin provided a delicate interlude as flower baskets and romantic music captivated the audience. Only three dresses were shown but this Swiss Rose grouping held its own.

This writer expected the next item listed in the program to reflect a similar theme, but the Mona Lisa collection was as far from subtle as it gets. Bright primary tights under Kelly print T-shirts and black spandex separates were accented with picture frames big enough to walk through and small enough to dangle from your ear.

Polka Dots were stretched over snugly shirred bottoms while The Graduation grouping in black, red, royal, yellow and jade was accessorized with scholarly tassels.

Astro Lista, a wild-and-crazy kinda cosmic fashion plate, has star-shaped metallic crystals, crescent-shaped moons and stylized comets on black or white stretchie separates. Envisioned by Kelly as clothes for "the woman of tomorrow", his Astro Lista selections energized the audience.

The final grouping, Pinwheel, featured multi-colored chiffon scarves hung from the waistbands or tiered skirts of Kelly's favorite solids, black and white.

The epitome of good-humored fashion, Pinwheel focussed on jester-like cuts and provided the perfect opening for the show's finale. Kelly himself accompanied a cross-section of each theme modelled by Toronto's best as the group wound its way down the oversized runway.



This purple skirt, striped top and shawl by Canadian designer Loucas was featured in the Women Who Make a Difference show. (M-J Crete photo)

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Beatties

Fashion



This 60s-influenced striped jumpsuit and leather belt with floor-length fringes is by Christian Lacroix. (M-J Crete photos)

Daffodil event a blooming hit

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Rhodes' Eastern Fantasy was a breath-taking array of intricately beaded evening saris. Veiled in diaphanous silk, highlighted with gold lame, accented peacock plumes and crystal... each garment commanded attention as it floated down the runway. You could almost hear the Lawrence of Arabia theme song echoed in every step.

Exotic suitings were the focal point of Gaultier's navy and cream, black and cream, tobacco and gray, or pumpkin and mauve separates. Vertical paneling, bordered trims, unusual sleeving and cut-away styling were used to create unique effects.

But the selection was sadly dwarfed by the glitter of Rhodes and the gaudy of Lacroix, mounting excitement did not reflect audience response to a somewhat lacklustre Gaultier collection. Rather it was based on anticipation of the final scene.

If you remember the 60s — looking at La-

croix's luxe collection is like taking a trip down memory lane. As a big fan of that era, this writer couldn't help but smile as one after another retrospective cover girl shimmed down the runway.

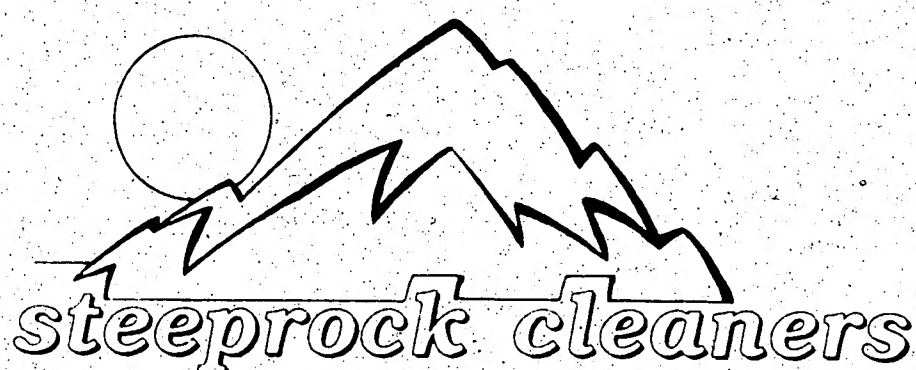
Knock out colors like true red with very black and bright white or acid green and candy-floss pink appeared. Peacenik florals complete with clashing primaries, psychedelic pastel paisley, mod, neutralized geometrics, wet-look brights and love-child lace in time... it was all there.

So were the little gold buttons on carcoat pockets, military epaulettes, colored capes — remember when?

Brazen metallics and daring chiffons walked beside austere East-Indian silhouettes in silk. There were floor length leather-fringed belts, wide-legged jumpsuits, shiny gold chains, mini, maxi or micros and every single item on stage was as authentic as Lacroix's tongue in cheek delivery would allow.



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Israeli school's grads in demand

While it is the typical Jewish mother's dream that her children become doctors and lawyers, an Israeli college is perpetuating the Jewish tradition in the "shmatra" business, training designers, technologists and managers who have become the backbone of the Israeli fashion and textile industries.

"Today, it is more difficult to get into Shenkar College's fashion design department than into medical or law school in Israel," said David Samuel, president of the College. "Out of the flood of applicants, only about 26 are accepted annually."

Samuel was in Montreal to speak at the launching of the new Canadian Committee for the Shenkar College of Textile Technology and Fashion in Israel, at the home of Lilly and Joshua Ronn, its president. The College already has fund-

raising arms in the United States, Britain, Australia and South Africa, with groups in formation in Switzerland and France.

Shenkar College, in Ramat Gan near Tel Aviv, was founded 19 years ago and has 1,200 graduates. Over 80% are working in Israeli industry, many in top positions.

It grants bachelor degrees in five fields which are key to Israel's fashion industry, a leading exporter for the country: textile technology, textile chemistry, textile design, fashion design and industrial management.

Because Shenkar's mandate is to supply professionals to industry, enrolment is limited to the numbers industry can absorb, Samuel said. Currently, the College has 371 full-time students. Another 1,200 study part-time.

"While this results in

intense competition for acceptance, it means that the qualifications of each student are particularly high and creates a high demand for hiring by the industry," Samuel said. "Consequently, recent Shenkar grads are already chief designers in Israel fashion houses and among the upper management of manufacturers."

Shenkar scored a bit of a coup in October 1987 when Samuel, an internationally known neuroscientist, accepted the presidency of Shenkar. Samuel, a British peer who holds the title Viscount Samuel of Mount Carmel and Toxteth, was a professor of physical chemistry at the Weizmann Institute of Science, with which he was associated since 1949.

He explains the career move by saying he realized that Israel "must pay its

own way and be self-supporting. Outside of agriculture and possibly chemicals, fashion is the industry Israel can claim a leading edge."

Samuel is giving top priority to the expansion of fund-raising committees abroad, and is targeting those in the fashion and textile industries. He admits that because of its small size and specialization, the College is not well known among world Jewry.

The College is supported by students' tuition and by a fund, to which the Israeli government and industry contribute.

However, money for capital improvements, scholarships, fellowships, development and special projects must come from outside the country, Samuel said.

The Canadian Committee plans to raise funds for scholarships, laboratory equipment, refurbishing lecture rooms and the exchange of technological know-how between Israel and Canada.

Recently, research support from the American Committee led to the development of a new robotic sewing system, Handimat, which simplifies the difficult sewing process involved in the construction of a garment.

The system is being manufactured in Israel under license by Aerobit and marketed internationally by Pfaff, one of the largest sewing machine manufacturers.

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Organizations and People

Old 'Peg clothing machines shipped to Ottawa museum

By
MYRON LOVE

WINNIPEG —

An old warehouse has unveiled a 50-year-old historic treasure and a glimpse of a bygone era.

Carefully laid on floor and in boxes were more than 100 sewing machines, spindles and bales of pre-1920 fabric left over from the Underwear and Lingerie Manufacturing Co. owned by Jacob Dreman and his sons. The company closed its doors in 1937.

The remains of the factory had been preserved by Dreman's youngest son, Abe, now 72, who worked in the family business as a young man and since 1938, he and his wife Esther have been operating the Logan Mail Order Co., a new and used clothing store.

Dreman is in the process of liquidating his business in order to retire. Thus, he figured he might as well see what could be done with the old sewing factory equipment.

"I phoned the Manitoba Museum of Man and Nature last fall," he said. "They contacted the Canadian Museum of Civilization in Ottawa which was looking for a complete fac-

tory from 1930s Winnipeg to form part of a Winnipeg street display to open in 1992. Ours was the only one left."

Thus, in February, a crew from Ottawa headed by Miriam Brown, a consultant with the museum, came to Winnipeg and carted away Singer sewing machines predating 1910, wooden sewing machine tables, steel driveshafts, pulleys, a dozen spools of thread and four bales of woolen fabrics over 60 years old.

The factory was actually only in business for a few years before a poor season forced it to close. It was opened in 1931 by Jacob Dreman and his son, S. D. Dreman, with a second son, I. J. Dreman, a silent partner.

The Dreman Family came to Winnipeg just after the turn of the century, returned to Poland before World War I and came back to Winnipeg to stay in 1920. The elder Dreman was a tailor making military and police uniforms in his shop.

S. D. Dreman was in the underwear business. "He was the salesman in the family," said Abe Dreman. Thus father and son pooled their interests and talents and began manufacturing

undergarments and employing eight people.

The factory made heavy-knit men's underwear and women's bloomers in addition to some shirts, overalls and pants. Much of the Dreman's products were sold to the T. Eaton Co. which had an arrangement with the government to distribute clothing to the poor.

The factory was typical

of the period. The Singer sewing machines, some still in working order, were driven by a single 5-horsepower electric motor. The machines were hooked to large driveshafts under each sewing machine table and connected by leather belts. They were engaged by treadles at the base of the tables that worked as a clutch system.



Miriam Brown, a consultant with the Canadian Museum of Civilization in Ottawa, prepares old sewing machines for shipment.

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Arts

Showbiz Mishmash

Smarty pants Quiz returns for inquisitive Judaica fans

By
FRANK RASKY

Q: Which Showbiz Mishmash column has drawn the most enthusiastic response ever from readers?

A: The Q. & A. column I devised in March featuring the Smarty pants Quiz for Judaica Fans.

It was based on some of the 1,400 questions and answers compiled by U.S. scholar **Ian Shapolsky** in his enlightening new paperback book which I strongly recommend, *The Jewish Trivia & Information Book* (McGraw-Hill Ryerson; 400 pages; \$5.95).

Consequently, I've put together for your enjoyment a Smarty pants Quiz II, with questions dealing with Jewish arts, personalities, culture, and religious lore. Don't peek at the answers I've listed at the end until you've completed the entire mini-quiz.

1. What is the literal English translation of the word kosher?

2. What was Jewish playwright **Neil Simon's** most successful comedy and why?

3. According to the Bible, how many years did **Methuselah** live?

4. Which international competitive game has had a preponderance of Jewish champions? (Clue: Two of the many Jewish champs were **Emanuel Lasker** and **Wilhelm Steinitz**.)

5. What renowned convert to Judaism began his showbiz career billed as **Silent Sam**, **The Dancing Midget**?

6. What Jewish professor, astronomer and author also served as emcee of his own TV series?

7. Which two animals in the Bible were given lines to speak and with whom did they exchange dialogue?

8. What was the name of the Jewish songwriter who composed *Over The Rainbow*?

9. Who was the Jewish editor of *Ms. Magazine* quoted as saying, "Marriage makes you legally half a person"?

10. What outrageous, self-deprecating, Jewish comedienne created the movie *Rabbit Test* about the world's first pregnant man?

11. What German Jewish bacteriologist created a test to detect syphilis that bears his name?

12. What Jewish folk-singer wrote a famous pop song about a restaurant where you "can get anything you want"?

13. What book about rich Jewish families in New York was written by what Gentile author?

14. In what language do cantors sing the *Kol Nidre* prayer? (Clue: It's not Hebrew.)

15. What Jewish New York theatre impresario is renowned for his civic productions of *Shakespeare in the Park*?

16. **Joyce Bauer**, a Jewish physician who writes a syndicated column and first achieved fame as a winner of TV quiz shows, is known to millions by what professional name?



Woody Allen



Shirley Temple



Michael Rusinek



Esther Bejarano



Leo Grinhauz



Helena Fine

17. What's the English translation and lyricist of Israel's national anthem, *Hatikvah*?

18. What's the professional name of **Murray Teichman**, the Jewish dancer, who helped teach millions how to dance?

19. Who was the Jewish cartoonist, so celebrated for drawing goofy, complicated inventions, that his name is now used to describe any crazy-looking device?

20. What is the literal meaning of the word, rabbi?

21. What Jewish songwriter, ironically, is famous for composing the pop songs relating to two non-Jewish holidays, *Easter Parade* and *White Christmas*?

22. Which Pope in the Vatican was nicknamed "The Jewish Pope" because he was of Jewish heritage?

23. In what areas of showbiz did the Jew, **Andre Kostelanetz**, achieve fame in the 1920s?

24. What Jewish comedian popularized the gag line: "Bisexuality doubles your chances for a date on Saturday nights"?

25. What female Jewish singer-composer wrote the rock hit ballads, *You've Got A Friend* and *It's Too Late*?

26. The Hebrew and Yiddish term, *saichel*, is used in both languages to describe what quality?

27. What day was the Jewish psychiatrist, **Dr. Erich Fromm**, referring to when he said: "This is a day

of peace between man and nature"?

Answers are: 1. Fit; 2. *The Odd Couple*, so popular it was made into a hit TV series; 3. 969 years; 4. Chess; 5. **Sammy Davis, Jr.**; 6. **Dr. Carl Sagan of Cosmos**; 7. The snake who spoke to Eve and the ass to **Baalam**; 8. **Harold Arlen**; 9. **Gloria Steinem**; 10. **Joan Rivers**; 11. **August von Wasserman**; 12. **Arlo Guthrie of Alice's Restaurant**; 13. *Our Crowd* by **Stephen Birmingham**; 14. Aramic; 15. **Joseph Papp**; 16. **Dr. Joyce Brothers**.

17. *The Hope* written by **Naftali Hertz Imber**; 18. **Arthur Murray**; 19. **Rube Goldberg**; 20. "My master"; 21. **Irving Berlin**; 22. **Pope Anacletus the Second**; 23. Pop jazz conductor and composer; 24. **Woody Allen**; 25. **Carole King**; 26. Common sense; 27. The Sabbath.

Recommended for Hollywood nostalgia freaks are two new books I've enjoyed about **Shirley Temple**, the No. 1 boxoffice star during the Depression years from 1935 to 1938. Most objective of the two is *Shirley Temple: American Princess* by veteran showbiz biographer **Anne Edwards** (Gage of Canada; 352 pages; 28.50). But most surprising is the autobiography written by the former pint-sized **Pollyanna** herself, *Child Star* by the present 61-year-old **Shirley Temple Black** (McGraw-

Hill Ryerson; 517 pages; \$28.50).

I had expected her memoirs to be as syrupy as the adorable moppet she portrayed in more than 20 films, ranging from *Dimples* to *Captain January* (of *The Good Ship Lollipop*). But she proves to be a literate and charming author, who quotes **Bernard Shaw's** witticism: "If you can't get rid of the family skeleton, make it dance!"

She also cites the shrewd Jewish proverb: "Dwell in the past, you lose one eye; ignore the past, you lose both." But I admired her most for good-humoredly reprinting the panning poem by London Observer movie critic **C. A. LeJeune**, which induced her to retire from showbiz at 21 after co-starring with **David Niven** in the flop film, *A Kiss For Corliss: Sometimes I think David Niven*.

Should not take all the parts he's given. While of the art of Shirley Temple, I, for the moment, have had ample.

My weekly tip of the hat goes to the following Jewish creators in the arts.

Mazel tov to three outstanding Jewish musicians who are among the 50 finalists, narrowed down from 214 applicants, vying for prizes totalling \$42,000 in the CBC's 25th Young Performers' Competition being held in Toronto from April 27 to May 12. The

three scholarship virtuosos are Thornhill, Ont., clarinetist **Michael Rusinek**, 20; Toronto violinist **Barry Shiffman**, 22; and Montreal cellist **Leo Grinhauz**, 23. For ticket information, phone 975-3700.

Former Israeli **Helena Fine**, "singer of kids' songs that parents will love," will perform at 10.30 a.m. and 2 p.m. on April 30 at the free *Centrefest* running until May 4 at the Bloor Y, 750 Spadina at Bloor (924-6211). Other free events include a film series being shown at 8 p.m.: **Molly Picon** in *Mamele*, April 30; *Jews on the Screens of Hollywood*, a

90-minute film of excerpts compiled by Toronto movie historian **Aldo Maggiorotti** May 1; *Late Summer Blues*, **Renan Schorr's** documentary on Tel Aviv teenagers May 3; and the new feature movie, *The Outside Chance of Maximilian Glick*, starring **Saul Rubinek**, May 4.

Accordionist-singer **Esther Bejarano**, a survivor of Auschwitz, will perform Yiddish songs of the ghettos and concentration camps at 7.30 p.m. at the Winchevsky Centre, 585 Cranbrook Ave., April 29, and similarly at Trinity-St. Paul's Centre, 427 Bloor St. W., April 30. She's one of the many en-

ertainers in *Mayworks*, Toronto's 4th annual Festival of Working People and the Arts, who'll be performing at various venues around town from April 29 to May 6. For information, phone 487-6406.

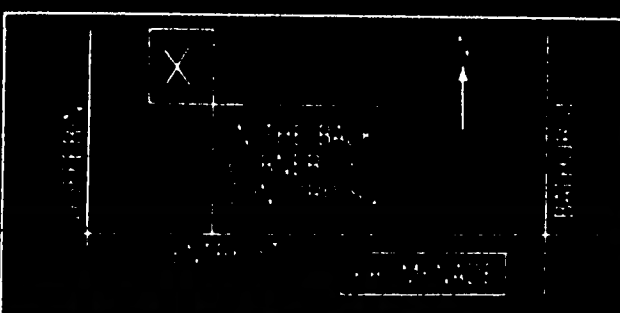
I bow out with this exit line from *Mae West*, revealing the secret of her sexy comedy technique when I interviewed the Brooklyn vamp in her mirrored Hollywood boudoir: "Honey, it ain't what I do, but how I do it. It ain't what I say, but how I say it. And, especially, honey, it's how I look when I do it and say it."

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Bellow is still America's most distinguished novelist

Female characters don't ring true in *The Theft*

A Theft, by Saul Bellow.
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A recipient of the Nobel Prize in literature, a 3-time National Book Award winner, Saul Bellow is, arguably, America's most distinguished novelist. His books display acquaintance with an impressive amount of Western thought — and a broad knowledge of American and European literary traditions. Bellow's



books

By
BERNARD BASKIN

humor and narrative skill are often overlooked by

critics in search of cerebral content. "I know," he

says, somewhat disappointed, "they tend to think of me as a brain."

How Jewish is Bellow? His major characters from Augie March to Moses Herzog and Artur Sammler display an amplitude of Jewish sensibility and feeling. In his introduction to the anthology *Great Jewish Short Stories*, he asserts that in these stories, "Laughter and trembling are so curiously mingled that it is not

easy to determine the relations of the two. At times the laughter seems simply to restore the equilibrium of sanity; at times the figures of the story, or parable, appear to invite or encourage trembling with the secret aim of overcoming it by means of laughter." These comments would seem to apply not only to the stories in the anthology, but to his own work.

In an interview some years ago he confided that at the age of 4 he had already been exposed to the Old Testament in Hebrew. "He had fully accepted the reality of God — but what bothered him was where God was."

He has been criticized for his portrayal of women. Unlike his male characters they seem to lack verity. *A Theft* may be an attempt to remedy this deficiency — if so, it is a failure.

Clara Velde, the heroine of the novella, is a much-married middle-aged, self-centred Park Ave. matron.

She is hard to accept. Attractive, intelligent, a successful career woman, she is on her fourth husband and hugely unhappy.

Only her long relationship with Ithiel "Teddy" Regler — a Jewish advisor to presidents, scientist and statesman, dispenser of advice and wisdom and one-time lover — lends meaning and some stability to her largely vapid existence.

In discussing with Ithiel her first marriage she says that it was like a Thanksgiving turkey. "After a month the bird is drying out and you're still eating breast of turkey. It needs more and more Russian dressing, and pretty soon the sharpest knife in the city won't slice it." Pretty soon you're trying to eat threads of bird meat.

The slender plot turns on an emerald ring that Regler had given her years before. It represents affection, nostalgia, the irreplaceable past. When the ring is stolen she suspects the boy

friend of her Austrian au pair girl. How the ring reappears on her bedroom dresser is a mystery whose resolution is of little consequence.

Clara, a New York sophisticate with a residual amount of naivete from her farm-girl background tends to confide in her Chinese dress designer in what become discursive monologues.

Not vintage Bellow, *The Theft*, as might be expected, has moments of sagacity, humor and fine writing.

About 100 pages long, and with large print, this novella was rejected by two national magazines because of its awkward length. It also presented a problem for hardbound publication. As a result it appears first in softcover, an intriguing publishing experiment whose future is uncertain.

Aficionados will devour this engaging and human story in one sitting. Others will find it more difficult to become excited.

Jewish Music Festival thrills crowd

By
ANCIL KASHETSKY

TORONTO —

Whether from a Conservative, Orthodox or Reform synagogue, the 10 choirs in this year's well-attended Jewish Music Festival demonstrated that Jewish music transcends denominational affiliation and has a soul all its own.

Held recently at the Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Synagogue, each of the choirs performed in a distinctive style, with repertoires covering the liturgical, and Yiddish and Hebrew and Israeli folk songs. The event was sponsored by the music committee of the Toronto Jewish Cultural Council of Toronto Jewish Congress.

Ralph Shiff, acting chairman of the Cultural Council told the overflow crowd that "music was part of the Jewish soul and there was hardly a Jewish tailor years ago who didn't perform his work with a song."

The concert started on a spirited note with a performance of *B'tzei Yisrael*, an Israeli song about the exodus from Egypt, by the Shaarei Shomayim choir under the direction of David Young and Cantor Harold Klein, with accompanist Fannie Levitan. This was followed by *Amar Rabbi Eliezer*, another folksong, with a strong chazzanut orientation to it.

Bringing a serendipity, breathy sound was the Shaarei Beth El Choir, under the direction of Lis Manson, in a performance

of *Heshivenu*, *Hem B'Zemer Hazeh* and *Sim Shalom*.

Zemer Chorale of Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda, under the direction of Charles Heller and accompanist Marina Surgan, put the audience in a Passover mood with three lively songs, one being a foot-tapping chasidic number, taken from the Haggadah.

Two traditional numbers from the Shabbat morning service — *Ahavat Olam* and *Adon Olam* — were performed by Temple Har Zion Choir under the direction of Eleanor Ackerman Rice.

The Beth David B'nai Israel Beth Am choir, conducted by Brahm Goldhammer, also performed two liturgical numbers — a stirring rendition of Shema followed by a whimsical performance of *Hiragut*.

Two Yiddish numbers — *Tzum Yairid* (On The Way to the Fair) and the well-known humorous song *Der Rebbe Elimelech* were sung by The Heritage Singers, conducted by Edith Narvey-Komisar. This all-women choir also sang the Hebrew number *B'Yom Kayitz* (Summer Day).

A big hit with the crowd because of their dramatic singing stage entry from the aisle was the Tehila Choir, made up of mainly youths in their early 20s, under the direction of Michelle Green and accompanist Stephen Benlolo.

Using roses and sunglasses as props for an Israeli song done in a

Spanish calypso beat, the choir also performed a song from the Haggadah — *Ki Lo Naeh* (To Him It is Fitting). Choir members added their own distinctive percussion by clapping their hands to the folksong *Narah* (A Gift).

The Holy Blossom Temple Singers, conducted by Cantor Benjamin Maissner and accompanist Narvey-Komisar, performed the Hebrew song *Uri Tziyon*, taken from the writings of Isaiah, to the accompaniment of an Oriental drum. Two other folksongs, *Siman Sh'Ehod Lo Higaanu* (A Sign We Not Yet Arrive) and *Haflei Vafelah* were also performed by the choir.

Lyrics by poet Hannah

Senesh added poignancy to the song *Ashrei Hagafur*, performed by Temple Sinai Choir, under the direction of Ben Steinberg and accompanist Shaya Petroff. The choir also sang the Yiddish folksong *Zich Shifele*.

Ashira Lididai, extracted from one of the psalms, was performed by all 10 choirs under the direction of Maissner for the finale. The audience then joined vocals with the choirs for an uplifting *Hatikvah*.

In his closing remarks, Ben Steinberg, co-chairman of the Jewish music committee, thanked the performers, saying "we should be proud of what we've achieved here tonight."

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Esther Hockin (left) and Betty Heron star in *Gone to Glory*.

Gone to Glory comedy that tugs at your heart

By
BEN ROSE

TORONTO —

A prediction!
Gone to Glory will be playing within 50 miles of wherever you spend your summer holidays in Ontario in 1990, and maybe even this year.

This is not meant to denigrate the play which is running at the Alumnæ Theatre until April 29. But it is the perfect play for production on the

strawhat circuit — it is a comedy but it has a moral too; it takes place in a resort area; and the virtues it spins are those of the country, where we all lived before we moved to Toronto.

My prediction is partly based on the fact that a good country thriller, *I'll Be Back Before Midnight*, was produced at five different summer theatres in Ontario two years ago. If anything, *Gone to Glory*, is a better bet because it is more up-

lifting.

The title refers to the money one of the sisters Winnie (Betty Heron) has put aside for her daughter. The sisters, Winnie and Lulu (Esther Hockin), are scraping by from day to day mostly on Winnie's old-age pension.

Lulu is the central character and she is played to perfection by Hockin. Winnie is good too, but the other two women in the 6-member cast, Googie (Margaret Lamarre) ex-wife of their landlord, and Teddi (Naomi Thomson) a film director, are out of step with the rest. Googie is just not believable.

There is one big surprise in the play but I won't tell you when it happens. *Gone to Glory* is a comedy, but it's not fluff, and playwright Suzanne Finlay is a true craftsman. Pamela Terry is the director.

The Alumnæ Theatre is at 70 Berkeley St., 364-4170.

Singer story scheduled for production this year

A film adaptation of an Isaac Bashevis Singer story is scheduled to be produced later this year in Montreal. *Enemies: A Love Story* is the first English-language project of the Panavision Canada film-studio complex at Cite du

Havre, whose president is Mel Hoppenheim. The film is to be directed by Paul Mazursky.

The film will star Oscar-winning actress Angelica Huston. Alan King and Ron Silver, and will be shot in Montreal.

Israeli troubador to showcase talents that made him famous

By
DAVID BIRKAN

Aric Lavie's upcoming Yom Ha'atzmaut concerts, in Hebrew and Yiddish, will showcase the talents that have made him one of Israel's most enduring and endearing performers, according to Toronto-based impresario Chaim Avron.

Lavie, mellow-voiced troubador with a variety of beats, will be performing in Montreal and Toronto on motzi Shabbat, Saturday night, April 29 and May 6, respectively.

Lavie's first concert, at the Salle Claude Champagne, 220 Avenue Incent-D'Indy in Outremont, is under the patronage of Israel's consul-general in Montreal, Chalom Shirman. Tickets continue on sale at the Kotel store, phone 739-4142.

His second concert, at Seneca College's Minkler Auditorium, 1750 Finch Ave. East, is under the patronage of Israel's consul-general in Toronto, Benjamin Abileah. Tickets are available at: Bader's, 789-0189; Happy Days, 789-4438; Yerushalayim of Gold, 223-4505; and at the auditorium box office.

Avron, who has brought a variety of mostly Yiddish performers and produc-



Aric Lavie

tions to Canada in recent years, described Lavie as being a kind of "Frank Sinatra and Charles Aznavour" with a "legendary status among Israeli performers." His over two decades of public performance in Israel include lead acting roles in major stage plays.

Voice
relays
feelings

This reviewer finds his voice a complex instrument of expression: Warmth, intimacy, worldly wisdom, ideal-

ism, passion, humor, and self-deprecation, all sparkle in his songs to one degree or another. Lavie can communicate to those who have no knowledge of Hebrew or Yiddish whatsoever; he makes fans instantly.

Accompanying Lavie will be Israeli guitarist Yigal Hared, whose accomplished versatility will underscore the varied moods of Lavie's songs.

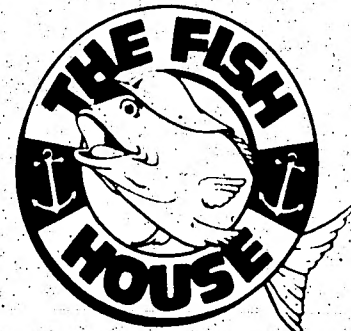
Yom Ha'atzmaut, celebrating Israel's 41st year as an independent state, falls on May 10 this year. Followers of the political news in recent months will be more than heartened by aspects of life in the Jewish state as expressed by Lavie.

Recalling Lavie's political and military namesake, an Israeli journalist once described the entertainer as "Israel's other Arik."

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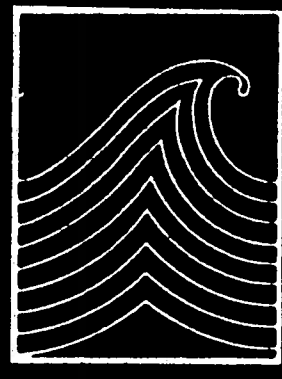


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Direction refreshingly unsentimental

Passion play explores mother-daughter conflicts

By
FRANK RASKY

TORONTO —

I couldn't believe my eyes when I read the thumbs-down reviews in the Toronto dailies panning *My Memories of You* (running until May 7 at the Tarragon Theatre, 30 Bridgman Ave., 531-1827).

The head over Ray Conlogue's downer in the *Globe and Mail* read: "Writer's haunted life makes for dreary drama."

And Robert Crew finished the demolition job in the *Toronto Star*. He took pot shots at the "sentimental approach" of director Patricia Hamilton. Then he poleaxed the "impossibly flowery lines" by playwright Wendy Lill who "has a tendency to slip into overripe Harlequin, or the excesses of those bad, wartime movies."

I thoroughly differ with their sour views.

I found the direction refreshingly unsentimental. The acting by the 5-member cast was first-class.

Above all, Wendy Lill has emerged as a poetical, lyrical, extraordinarily gifted dramatist; she is unafraid of expressing honest emotion that smells of life, and has created the most impassioned and original Canadian play staged by the Tarragon this season.

I was profoundly moved by it, because it deals with two delicate themes rarely

tackled by male playwrights.

It examines with candor the relationship between mothers and daughters.

And it investigates sympathetically a woman's seemingly irrational, obsessed love affair with a married rogue by whom she has four illegitimate children — and yet continues to adore the irresponsible scoundrel.

What makes this implausible grand passion so unusual is that it's based on the true love story of the late Elizabeth Smart.

Born in Ottawa in 1913, the daughter of an affluent patent lawyer, she was educated in private schools, covered society news for the *Ottawa Journal*, and then while traveling in the 1930s, thanks to the writer Lawrence Durrell, she met the great love of her life.

He was George Barker, a minor British poet with a major egomania about his talents. He clearly had a gift, though, for mesmerizing Elizabeth Smart with his honeyed words. Rebelling against her convention-bound Ottawa family, she followed him to London, where he fathered her four bastard children.

For the next three decades, she supported them by writing advertising copy and working as literary editor of the magazines *Queen* and *House and Garden*. It culminated with her 1945 autobiographical novel, *By Grand Central Station I Sat*



Barbara Gordon (left) co-stars as a free-spirited mother of Brenda Robins in *My Memories Of You* at Tarragon Theatre.

Down And Wept, whose homage to the rhapsodic ecstasy she enjoyed with her faithless lover established an instant cult following.

Two seasons ago, following Smart's death in 1986, her love story was dramatized by Toronto actress Ann Anglin for a 1-woman show starring Nancy Beaty produced by Theatre Passe Muraille. Because of its compression, the characterization didn't quite come off.

But in the hands of Winnipeg playwright Wendy Lill, it's a full-bodied drama — a memory play that works

wondrously well on two levels.

At the back of the stage, in the kitchen setting of a vine-covered cottage in Sussex, England, we see Elizabeth Smart in her 60s (played by Shaw Festival actress Barbara Gordon as a gray-haired, contemplative journalist, who tipsles gooseberry wine, wears a baggy sweater, and has an eloquent command of English).

She engages in a verbal duel with her daughter, Rose (played by another superb Shaw Festival graduate, Brenda Robins).

She is a neurotic, emo-

tionally unstable, pill-popping flower peddler, resentful of her chaotic upbringing by her mother, yet imitative of her mother's sexual promiscuity.

She has had three bastard children fathered by three different men. But she is confused, because, unlike her mother, her liaisons have been passionless and joyless.

Prompted by the relentless questioning of her daughter, Elizabeth reflects in a series of flashbacks enacted in the forestage about the days of her youth in the 1940s (when she was

known as Betty, a beautiful, sensuous, free-spirited blonde, played by Shannon Lawson, who was so effective in *Three Men On A Horse* at the Royal Alex).

I found totally convincing young Betty's tempestuous sex scenes with George Barker (a seemingly suave, snobbish yet insecure cad played by the Shaw Festival's Andrew Gillies) and

her bickering debates about her lack of maternal responsibility in scenes with her own Ottawa socialite mother (played with non-sense sensibility by Stratford Festival veteran Carolyn Hetherington).

The crux of the drama comes in the last act when Rose accuses Elizabeth of being a failure — a neglectful mother who was a victim of a selfish, uncaring bouncer.

"No," protests Elizabeth. "I was an explorer. I discovered passion. I loved being buried alive by my love. I needed to be needed."

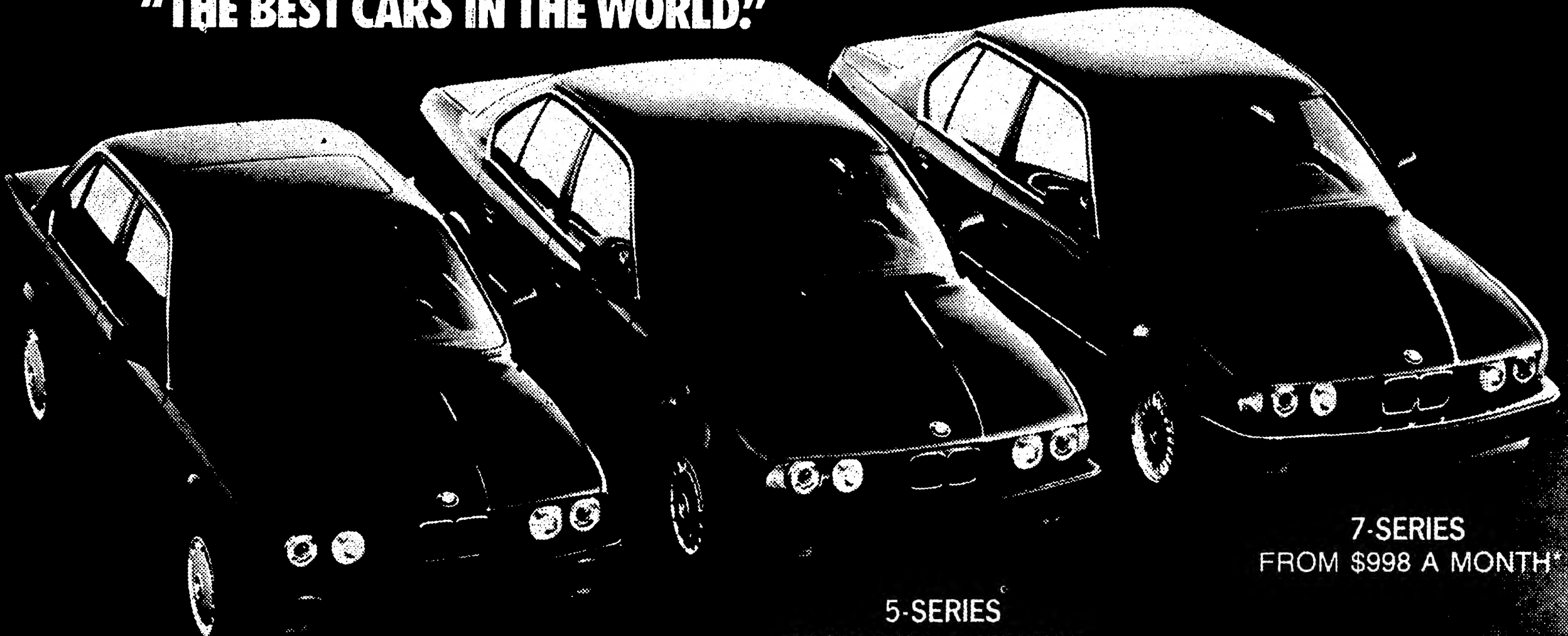
"But what about me?" wails Rose. "Did you need me?"

"I love you, Rose," Elizabeth comforts her. "I chose you but I didn't take enough care," she concedes. "I didn't leave enough space for flowers to grow. I'm sorry. But I did try, and you'll have to try too, to open yourself to big feelings."

It's a lyrical, heartfelt play that deserves to be a contender for a Dora Award. I rate it a success, because it has stimulated me to read the prose-poetry of her masterwork, *By Grand Central Station I Sat Down And Wept*.

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Business Outlook

Molson CEO Cohen says strategy crucial

Retailers said facing hi-tech changes, rapid growth

By
STEPHANIE CHAPMAN
TORONTO

The world of retail is experiencing major technological advances and seeing a growth in the internalization of Canadian businesses, said the president and chief executive officer of The Molson Companies Ltd.

Marshall Cohen told participants at the recent 3-day Retail Council of Canada seminar at the Metro Convention Centre that the "integration of world markets, heightened global competition and the driving force of technological change all require businesses to develop new strategies to im-

prove their competitiveness. For Canada, where many of our largest firms are still relatively small by world class standards, this is particularly the case."

Strategy is the name of the game. If companies want to survive both these changes, the right strategic package is imperative. Using Molson Companies as an example, Cohen illustrated how his company has taken steps to keep up with other global markets.

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Advanced technology was just one of the themes Cohen stressed in his speech. Going hand-in-hand with these advances is the human element in the form of education and training programs for the people who will be implementing the machines.

"Technology is reshaping our whole production process. The system of production that is emerging today is increasingly knowledge-based rather than labor intensive," Cohen said.

"Now, technology — computer based manufacturing — permits firms to do many things almost at the same time to respond rapidly to changing consumer demands and market conditions. New technologies now permit companies to customize almost any product.

"Manufacturers will be able to produce more and more high-quality products in smaller and smaller batches. This creates much more variety and many more options for consumers. Surely, the consumer is becoming king."

The Free Trade Agreement played heavily upon the minds of those who attended the conference, and Cohen didn't disappoint them by ducking the subject.

"The Free Trade Agreement in just one milestone on a long journey that began years ago and isn't finished yet. It is a part of a process towards the integration of world markets, a process which is evolutionary, not revolutionary. For many Canadian firms the FTA is facilitating a process of internationalization well under way, he said.

"I doubt that the agreement will in any way diminish the strong regional basis of consumer taste in our two countries. Quite apart from what Canadians have been told about the American melting pot and the monolithic nature of American culture, anyone who has done business there knows that the first lesson to be learned about the United States is the extraordinary diversity of its regional markets.

"Free trade isn't going

to diminish that diversity. We don't have to conquer the whole market all at once. We can still advance from region to region," he added.

"In this increasing global marketplace, in an era of rapid-response production, retailers can become critical players in Canadian manufacturer's international competitive strategies. Canadian manufacturers have always depended on their distributors to help define the marketplace. Looking down the road, to the extent that Canadian retailers can help

manufacturers compete with imports at home, the synergism that develops could spill over into joint expansion and teamwork in the United States and abroad."

Cohen concluded his speech on a positive note.

"Just as the pressure of technological change is forcing an integration of markets in the world economy, so the same forces of technology are breaking down the traditional compartmentalization inside of firms. I have tried to underline how our companies are

participating in two revolutions at the same time," Cohen said.

"Internally, technology is altering many of the ways we have traditionally organized and operated our businesses, just as, externally, Canadian business is experiencing a revolutionary thrust toward internalization, the two developments are closely connected.

"The first, internal revolution, gives us added strength and competitiveness to meet the challenges of the second, external revolution."

Israeli, U.S. firms seeking joint ventures

TORONTO —

Nearly 40 high-tech Israeli and American companies will join forces in 1989 in science based research projects funded by the Binational Industrial Research and Development Foundation (BIRD-F), a joint project of the United States and Israeli governments.

BIRD-F has allotted \$10 million to help fund nineteen new research and development projects during the first half of this year, says Gabriel Levy, Israel's Economic Minister for North America. Under the terms of the arrangement, the companies involved in each project match the BIRD-F grants for research and development on a dollar-for-dollar basis.

BIRD-F was established in 1977 to stimulate mutually profitable cooperation between American and Israeli high-tech companies. The foundation's annual income comes from earnings on a \$110 million endowment, provided equally by Washington and Jerusalem as well as from royalties from earlier projects supported by the foundation.

Among the U.S. companies that will be involved in the newest BIRD-F sponsored projects are Westinghouse, GTE Spacenet and Sharp Lasers. The Israeli companies include Manof Systems, Simtech Ltd. and Rotem Industries.

The latest grants will help in the development of a broad variety of high-tech products and services including advanced software tools, intruder detector systems, an advanced surgical laser and a seismic data system, Levy said.

He pointed out that exports of products developed with BIRD support since the program's inception now exceed \$500 million annually.

"The key to the success of BIRD-F," he said,

"stems from the winning combination of a U.S. company that knows the market and is experienced in customer service and an Israeli company that has the technical and creative know-how to develop new products to meet market needs."



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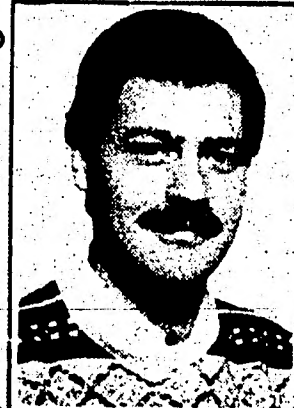


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Mr. Marvin Cohen, President of Mister Real Estate Inc. is pleased to announce the appointment of Mr. Steven Wagman as Manager, Bayview/Sheppard Branch.

Mr. Wagman replaced Mr. Barry Cohen, who is moving to new responsibilities which include: corporate and business development, franchising and general expansion plans of the company. Mr. Barry Cohen will be located at the corporate head office.

Mr. Wagman brings 11 years of real estate experience, the last 5 years in a senior management position with a national real estate broker. He is also a member of the Toronto Real Estate Board's Arbitration Committee. Mr. Wagman can be reached at 223-5100.

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Business Outlook

Use triangle plan in determining strategy

Assess your needs when planning investments

As with many things in life, the key to success when it comes to your investments is planning.

If you make your investments in a haphazard way — purchasing when you hear of the latest investment fad, and selling when you require extra cash — your results will likely be mediocre. My next series of articles, beginning with this one, discusses how you can apply some basic principles of financial planning to your own situation.

The first step is to realistically assess your current financial circumstances. What stage of life are you in — are you just beginning a career, enjoy-

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By
ARNOLD POLAN



ing your peak earning years or preparing for retirement? What are your assets and liabilities? What are your cash needs for the near future and your responsibilities for dependents?

You should then consider the amount of your savings and how much of your income you can afford to invest.

Next determine your investment objectives. Are you planning for your retirement, saving to buy your first home or

to pay for your children's education? What is your investment time horizon? Do you want to achieve your goals in one year, 10 years, or over a 35-year period? Once you establish your objectives, they are much easier to achieve.

Finally, what type of investor will you be — conservative, moderate or aggressive? In other words, how much risk do you think you can tolerate in return for the possibility of a higher rate of return?

You should only assume as much risk as you're comfortable with and one sure way to know that you've assumed too much risk, is when you can't sleep at night.

Once you have established these criteria, you can begin planning your investment strategy. I recommend that you consider your overall investment plan as a triangle.

The first part of the plan consists of establishing a secure base of liquid securities which will always be available in case of emergencies. Once this base has been established, you can begin accumulating additional tiers of income-producing securities, conservative and then aggressive-growth securities as well as tax-advantaged investments. At the pinnacle of your triangle should be speculative and strategic investments that are higher risk but offer higher potential returns.

The amount of funds you allocate to the different levels of your invest-

ment triangle, will depend a great deal on what stage of life you are in and also what your expectations are for the overall return of each different asset group.

You can reduce risk and enhance the overall yield of

your portfolio by emphasizing asset groups most suitable for the current economic and interest rate environment.

My next article will discuss establishing a secure base, the platform of your investment triangle. In the

meantime, for a copy of The Money Workshop which discusses the investment triangle in detail, please call me at 863-7575.

Arnold Polan, a chartered accountant is a vice-president and director of Scotia McLeod.

Five principles cited as key to O&Y success

By
STEPHANIE CHAPMAN

TORONTO

Olympia & York, one of the world's leading developers of mixed commercial real estate projects, bases the foundation of its success on five principles, says the firm's Toronto-based general manager.

Ron Taylor shared these secrets of success with the Retail Council of Canada at the recent 3-day conference that was held at the Metropolitan Toronto Convention Centre.

"The development concept is a key factor in the overall success of each project and stems from the advantageous union that is created among the component parts of the mixed use project whereby commercial, residential, entertainment, cultural uses are mutually supported by a vibrant retail component."

The second step is developing a merchandising plan. Taylor said the company spends considerable time determining the merchandising mix that will capture the imagination of the consumers within a particular marketplace. The right mix of retailers, their physical placement and store design develop a retail force which will draw the right population to the developments.

"Olympia & York is committed to the success of each retailer in the project it develops, manages and operates. Careful selection of individual tenants is therefore essential. The success of each urban specialty centre is a direct result of establishing a unique grouping of retailers in response to the needs of a particular marketplace."

In addition, we have introduced a number of innovations which help in seeking out and nurturing new retail concepts in order to ensure that the mix includes new and fresh ideas."

An arts and events program has also been developed to help establish the appropriate image for the company. Events such as art and sculpture exhibits, music and dance perfor-

mances, outdoor concerts and festivals are used to create an animated atmosphere, he said.

The fifth principle is under the heading management and operations. The company undertakes an active promotion and advertising program and has introduced innovations that support retailers "including a central recruiting service for retail personnel, sales staff and training programs and assistance with the development of business planning and store display," Taylor said.

Taylor used Queen's Quay Terminal as an example to illustrate the five principles in working action.

To begin with, the \$60 million restoration, completed in 1983, contains more than 100 shops and restaurants on two levels, 250,000 sq. ft. of offices, 72 luxury condominiums and a 400-seat state-of-the-art dance theatre.

"The Queen's Quay Terminal had to develop a very strong identity and reputation in order to attract people to the new centre."

The shops and restaurants carry specialized gifts, accessories and fashion apparel along with a host of other products."

There is a section known as the Festival Market which allows aspiring inventors and entrepreneurs an opportunity to sell and display their work. The Design Zone, which opened in 1986 offers a unique environment for emerging young designers. In The Making is a gallery of contemporary craft and design that enables the individual to seek work in a cooperative setting without the overhead of a gallery or shop.

In order to teach these emerging artists the art of retailing, Olympia & York has developed several training programs to steer these budding inventors in the right direction. Included in these are a sales training program and a management skills program — both of which are taught by experienced staff from within the retail industry.

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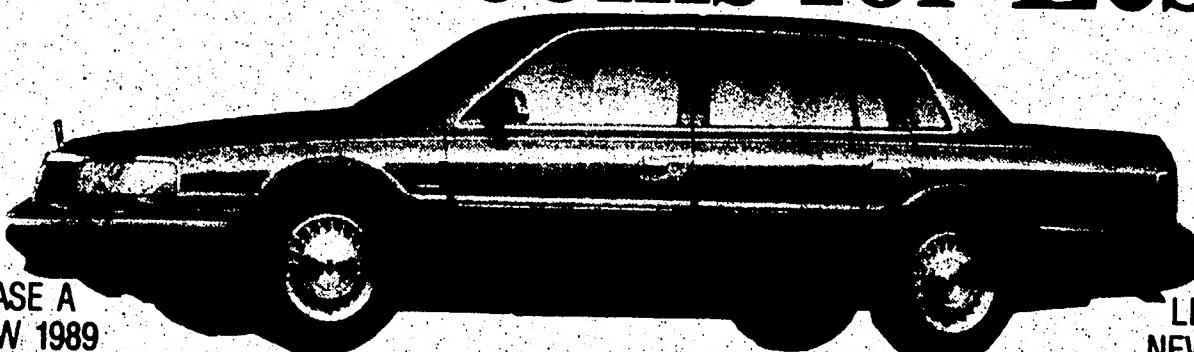
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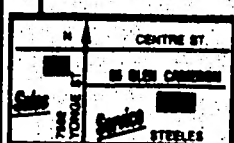
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Spain has a rich Jewish heritage dating back to the 2nd century and the time of the Roman Empire. Between the 9th and the 15th centuries, considered the country's "Golden Age," Spain was the premiere European centre of Jewish culture and learning.

In 1482 Jews accounted for almost 20% of Spanish society. Spain was the birthplace of such notable figures as the poet Yehuda Halevi of Toledo, and Samuel Ibn Nagrella of Granada. Spain was also the birthplace of Maimonides who is revered as a great philosopher by Spaniards and Jews alike.



The statue of Maimonides in Cordoba, Spain.

Jewish
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The Spanish Jewish story is particularly fascinating as it is set in the turbulent period when the Moorish Caliphs and the Catholic Monarchs struggled for control. The era of grand achievement for the Jews ended abruptly and tragically as the final triumph of the Catholic monarchs Ferdinand and Isabella over the Moors caused the expulsion of all Jews from Spain in 1492.

The Jewish influence on Spain carried on even after 1492, through thousands of "Conversos" (Jews outwardly converted to Christianity), many of whom secretly carried on their Jewish identity.

Participants will visit

Madrid, Toledo, Salamanca, Avila, San Lorenzo del Escorial, Manzanara, Cordoba, Seville and Granada. These cities and towns represent some of the most beautiful locations in Spain as well as centres of great Jewish historical importance.

The tour will be accompanied by professional local guides as well as a

distinguished Jewish educator, Baruch Rand, who will provide historical and cultural insight.

Rand is the director of the prestigious A. J. Heschel School in New York City and was formerly Superintendent of the Jewish School System in Winnipeg. He has extensive teaching experience on the high school and

university level in Jewish History and Jewish life in medieval Spain and is fluent in Spanish.

Special programming has been arranged of particular interest to the Jewish traveller. For example, in Madrid, participants will be introduced to members of the local Jewish community and will have an opportunity to join them in a celebration of Shabbat.

In Cordoba, Shabbat will be spent in the ancient Jewish Quarter with a service planned that will pay tribute to the writings and thoughts of Maimonides, Cordoba's native son.

Participants will stay at some of the most elegant and original hotels in Spain. These include the Palace Hotel in Madrid, the Parador of Toledo (a converted castle), the Alfonso XIII

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Spacious 3 bdrm & den, 2 bath, large mod kit. + pantry fin. fam rm. w/frpl. + w/o to yard, move cond. Lynda Stoneman 226-1987.

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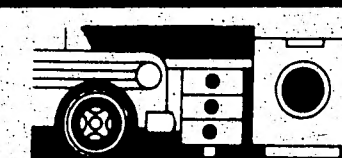
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Belmont has a certain finesse

Good speakers are this student's stock in trade

This is one in a series of profiles of young Jewish leaders in the Metro Toronto area

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PHIL FINE

TORONTO —

Sob stories about moms don't always move traffic cops to tears.

Brian Belmont knows. Forced to pull over on Interstate 190 north of Buffa-

lo late one evening two years ago, the tall, good-looking Toronto native plied a patrolman with the urgency of getting his "sick" mother across the border before her Blue Cross coverage ran out.

He still got a ticket. But he did so with a certain finesse. The same finesse, perhaps, with which he's managed to rope in so many top-notch

speakers for both the Canadian Jewish Law Students Association and the Jewish Students Association at Osgoode Hall.

Last year, for example, while education chairman of the JSA, Brian managed to corral Bert Raphael, president of Canadian Lawyers and Jurists for Soviet Jewry; Sol Littman, director of the Toronto office of the Simon Wisenthal Centre; Benjamin Abileah, Israeli consul-general in Toronto and Fred Zemans, board member of Canadian Friends of Peace Now. The latter two treated students to a debate over Israel's handling of the intifada.

For the CJLSA this year, Brian has so far brought in David Matas, Winnipeg lawyer and B'nai B'rith legal counsel; Alan Borovoy, general counsel for the Canadian Civil Liberties Association and John Pear-

son, Crown prosecutor in the second Zundel trial.

All three took part in a debate on hate literature which Brian helped organize at the second annual CJLSA convention in Toronto in February. In January, Matas spoke at Queen's University on war criminals and, in March, at the University of Western Ontario on new refugee legislation.

But Brian's work for the association hasn't been limited to rounding up oratorical talent. Last year, on behalf of the Crown, he put together a group of seven Osgoode students to research potential defence witnesses in the Zundel trial. Brian himself saw the fruits of that labor when he dropped in at the courthouse last summer.

Brian hasn't been solely concerned with getting others to do his bidding but has done his fair share of leg work.

Last spring, he co-authored a CJLSA report on Israel's legal responsibilities in the Gaza Strip and West Bank which, in addition to all MPs, was sent to newspapers and news services across Canada.

Right now, he's readying CJLSA's first annual law review for the printer. The premier issue, which will focus on war crimes legislation and Israel's administration of the territories, will consist almost entirely of student contributors.

Not all of Brian's efforts have been of a serious bent. Last summer, he hosted a reception for Israeli Chief Justice Dov Levin at Campbell House in downtown Toronto. And, this past February, he helped put on JSA's 5th annual law bash at the Copa club in Yorkville.

He also handled the social end of things while vice president in 1986 of Pi



Brian Belmont

Lambda Phi, a Jewish fraternity at the University of Toronto.

Although Brian will be a fully fledged Ontario lawyer in a little over a year, he hasn't ruled out working elsewhere. After articling, he plans to go to Israel for a three month ulpan. Aliya, he says, is a serious possibility.

His trip to Israel won't be his first. For the last two years, he's spent

three weeks of his summer vacation studying at Ohr Somayach/JEP's Jerusalem yeshiva. And, in the summer of 82, he worked on Kibbutz Deganya-Alef near Tiberias.

This May, he and 11 other CJLSA members will accompany other young men and women on a 2-week UJA trip to Poland and Israel. In Israel, the CJLSA delegation will be briefed by senior government officials on both the Israeli judicial system and Israel's response to the intifada.

The briefings will undoubtedly be a heady experience for someone who just three years ago was probably more concerned with fraternity pledges than with the ones now being made by Yasser Arafat.

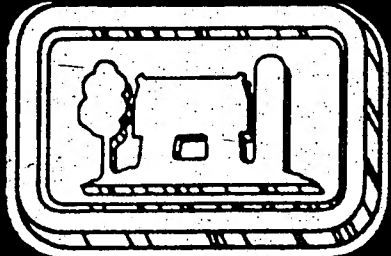
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The Congress Plenary: Defining the Issues

An Interview with Dorothy Reitman

Q: We would like to start by asking you to spend a few minutes giving us an overall view of what you consider to be accomplishments of Congress under your regime, and what if anything was a disappointment during your tenure of office.

A: OK. Naturally when one takes office and one runs for president one has goals and aspirations. One of the things that I thought was very important for Congress was advocacy for the Canadian Jewish community and in that context one of the first things that we were able to accomplish was the opening of our Ottawa office and the publication also of our *Ottawa Digest*. The Ottawa office gave us the opportunity to be able to anticipate legislation coming down the pipeline, to do an analysis and to share it with our Jewish constituents. I happen to feel it's extremely important to have an informed constituency and I think that Congress has a major role in this. Therefore, we decided to publish the *Ottawa Digest* and my bi-monthly newsletter, in which I tried to put the issues into layman's language, and also to include in it various ideas for action.

Another area was the whole question of Holocaust Remembrance. We had when I came in as President miles and miles of tapes of the Holocaust survivors in Canada and I'm delighted to tell you that we were able to put them together into a film called "Voices of Survival" and, as a matter of fact, the film was premiered in Israel when we were there on our CJC mission. It's going to be on Ontario Television in the month of April and we're going to be showing it at the Plenary.

Another thing that we inaugurated was a CJC Factfinding trip to Israel, which I'm hoping will be an annual event. Israel is a central issue for all of us and I think it's important that the leadership of the Jewish community go there at least once a year to do an assessment.

One of the things that we are extremely concerned about now is that while we would like to see all Soviet Jews go to Israel, — to pick Israel as their first choice — we have endorsed the freedom of choice procedure which means that if they have relatives in Canada or the United States and that's where they want to go, then we certainly have to support them as we support other refugees or immigrants. This, of course, has created problems because we have many Soviet Jews now in Italy waiting to come to Canada to join their families. It takes a long time to process these people and it means that we are responsible for their support and maintenance during this period of time particularly when they're waiting. In the past the United States used to fund this and now, that they've withdrawn their financial support, it's fallen back on our communities through the JDC and certainly on our own communities where these people finally choose to settle. So we've been in dialogue now with the Canadian government in the hope of both shortening the period of time that it takes to process these immigrants and also perhaps having more government sponsored cases. So that's been a very visible thing.

One of the other things that's been of great concern to me and perhaps one of the reasons why I chose to take on the presidency was the creation of a more cohesive Canadian Jewish community and a more effective role for Canadian Jewish Congress. Accordingly at the beginning of my term I suggested a review committee that would take a look at what Congress is doing and perhaps explore some of the ways in which we could be more effective. The two areas that we were looking at were the area of resolutions, and the area of mandate and structure. What really prompted me in that was that I always had a great discomfort with at the budgeting process. In many cases we were giving outright grants and there wasn't really a line of accountability. It seemed to me that at the National



Budgeting Committee or, indeed, around our own table there was that classic vying for the piece of the pie and I really wanted to develop and put in place a more systematic way of planning and budgeting. And, indeed, when we finally had the seminar, we struck two sub-committees, one on resolutions and one on mandate and priority. And at that point in time, the National Budgeting Committee was also interested in doing a study of Congress, but there we were. We had a task force in place which was being chaired by Harvey Lithwick.

So we made arrangements to do the study together and the task force then became to our delight a joint task force because at that point we had added Federation people onto it. The first thing that has to happen in any kind of negotiation is a development of understanding and a development of trust. Indeed that happened and the interaction that went on during the ten meetings, was most positive. Now we have reached a stage where we can ask as a result of all this effort: Has there been any kind of concrete change in the structure of the mandate? The report's not in yet.

The discussions became so serious that we all agreed that it was not a good idea to rush the report through and that it would be preferable to continue with the task force meetings and hopefully to report at the beginning of the next administration or whenever the task force was ready to report. I consider that a very big accomplishment.

Another of the exciting things was the publication of our *Race Relations and the Law* book. It has been circulated across the country to schools and institutions. It is excellent.

Another thing that we did during the past three years that I thought was very useful was a lot of work in Ottawa. Several times we've had meetings with Members of Parliament. At each of these meetings people would meet each other and that was very good too.

Q: Are there any objectives that you did not fully achieve?

A: One of the areas that I felt bad about, that we did not achieve was to have far more representation internationally. I happen to feel that Canada has a very important role to play and my own experience internationally has told me that it is extremely important for us to have a presence at international gatherings. What did happen within Canada was increased visits to our communities. I think I went to every synagogue that was ever built by a Jewish community.

Another disappointment — but then again I know that Rome wasn't built in a day — was I really wanted to open this building up a little more. I think that we have a very, very valuable collection of Archives here in this building. We have, as you know, a lot of students, scholars coming in here and doing research. I really had as one of my goals to develop this building and to try and make it a more visible and accessible centre for the Jewish community in Montreal. I ran into a tax problem, quite frankly, and we got involved with the taxes and holding on to the building.

Q: How does it stand now? Is there still talk about selling this building and moving or has that been resolved?

A: I felt it would be premature to start moving out of this building and certainly I had support on that. Another area that I would have liked to have seen move quickly was our whole endeavour in the area of intermarriage and assimilation. There was, when I came in as President, quite a substantial proposal on the books and, of course, it had somewhat of a price tag and we did go out to major Jewish foundations for funding. Unfortunately, while we got a few contributions we didn't get the amount that would have allowed for this project to move ahead.

Q: What was the project?

A: It was a sociological survey of every community across Canada. Remember, one of the areas that we're very concerned with are the small communities. So, the plan was that there was going to be a survey done in each community and then recommendations for the kinds of programs that should be put in place. But we didn't have the money to do it.

Another area that I've always felt very strongly about is the area of education and youth. I was very pleased that I had the opportunity of attending the National Education Conference in Toronto because it really reinforced my belief that Congress should be recruiting teachers as well as curriculum and I expressed that view very strongly.

Q: Don't you have this problem that all umbrella organizations have in these two areas: education and youth? Of course those are the things that almost every Jewish organization of any kind is interested in and the questions is always raised, whether the national organization should be strictly an umbrella organization and a resource centre but that the programming should be done by the individual organizations.

A: Oh, there isn't any question. That was not in doubt. The question really was, it seemed to me, that there was no national centre where there would be the information and the resources.

I would like to add that I was very pleased that our National Officers body this past three years, was very, very representative of communities across the country. People came from everywhere. Not only from big cities. You really got a reflection of Canada on our community.

Q: In preparation for this interview we went back and read the interview that was held with Milton Harris when he was leaving just prior to the Congress Plenary and the things that he focussed on you have not mentioned.

Both he and Gunther Plaut, who was the keynote speaker, focussed very much on the question of social

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EDITOR'S NOTEBOOK

Following what has now become an established tradition, we begin this issue with a wide-ranging interview with Dorothy Reitman, outgoing president of Canadian Jewish Congress. We covered the accomplishments and disappointments during her tenure of office and her views of the issues now facing Congress, as well as her personal opinions on the global problems facing World Jewry at this momentous time in our history.

Rabbi Dow Marmur analyzes, in his usual acute manner, the changing relationships between Jews and Gentiles which have resulted from the dramatic events in twentieth century Jewish history. He calls our attention to the necessity of rethinking our patterns of behaviour and policies that have not changed sufficiently in answer to these new developments and are in danger of becoming counterproductive.

Professor Henry Weinberg undertakes to dissect the nuances, if any, between anti-semitism and anti-Zionism and comes to the conclusion that there are none. He illustrates, from recent French history, how easily a so-called anti-Zionist posture traverses a slippery slope to outright anti-semitism.

Naim Kattan's touching and insightful story relates how two men, one Jewish and one Arab, who shared the similar childhood experience of growing up under foreign domination by the other's group, meet at a conference. Their tentative groping toward friendship is described in an understated style that increases its impact on the reader.

Eugene and Rhoda Kaellis are frequent contributors to Viewpoints. Their article this time is an interesting analysis of the NDP policies on Israel as well as certain dangerous tendencies they believe flow from this party's nationalistic and anti-American stance, inherent in their Socialist programs.

Sketches throughout this issue are by Harry May-crovitch.

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issues, particularly non-Jewish. Milton Harris said, "We have to express the universal nature of our Judaism and that means a much more active involvement and participation in human rights issues in the society in which we live."

Gunther Plaut, in his keynote speech, said, "While there are Jewish individuals who speak up for human rights, as a corporate community we are rarely heard, while the Roman Catholic bishops are united and address themselves vigorously as religious bodies to issues such as nuclear policy, native and Japanese Canadian rights, poverty and capital punishment."

A: That was such a long time ago. First of all we were very active with the Japanese community. As a matter of fact, when I first came in as president, I spent a lot of time with the Japanese. I attended the

Ethno-cultural meetings and worked with other cultural communities in helping them to develop either organizationally or in the human rights area. Regarding capital punishment, there was a resolution taken at the last plenary, and we certainly saw that one through.

One of the purposes that resolution served was to make the organization begin to question what kind of issues we should get involved in. Because quite frankly when you get into a capital punishment issue, although you might have your opinion and I might have my opinion and we're both Jewish, we might not have the same opinion, so there were questions about that, as to whether it was reflective of the total community or should it be. We have our Law and Social Action Committee and have spent the last three years strengthening the link between the specialists to our service agencies, those agencies that were dealing with families, the elderly, the disabled.

It's not a simple thing, where you're dealing with an organization that got together because it's concerned about the poor, or concerned about women or whatever it might be, it always has many different



political views and cultural views. There were times when I felt pretty paralyzed, for example on Israel...

Q: The question whether there is a consensus or not?

A: That's one question and also on capital punishment, there was certainly not a consensus.

Q: And nuclear policy also never was dealt with.

A: No, that became a sensitive issue for obvious reasons. Another area that the community has got to get involved in, is the environmental issue. Because I think that is going to be a front burner issue for society in the next few years. I suppose we have the right to live. But as I say, we have been working under the present structure which really deals with implementing resolutions that are processed through the Plenary, and that was another reason why we spent these three years totally revising our resolution process. Because I found out that people were coming to Plenary with resolutions that had not been processed by the group they were representing.

Q: You think that Congress would be at the forefront of new issues or should it be reflective of the positions of the majority of Canadian Jewry?

A: I think it has to be both. On one hand you get resolutions from your constituents, but on the other hand I would like to see Congress have much more of a long-range planning. At this point in time we've been paralyzed from doing that kind of thing. I would far rather see Congress be the leader.

Q: Why have you been paralyzed?

A: We've been paralyzed for the reason that I expressed to you earlier that there's been so much

inner conflict around the funding and around who should be doing what. Unless you can develop that clear mandate, you're paralyzed.

Q: That would be the result of this task force's decisions?

A: That's correct and that is why I place such an emphasis on it.

Q: If this problem should be resolved, what would the key issue be in your eyes?

A: The key issue in my eyes is the whole issue evolving around the changing dynamics of the relationships of Jews to Israel. I think one can see it right now if you watch the Solidarity Conference, the fact that Shamir invited everybody to the Solidarity Conference. The whole issue of the Law of Return and the fact there was a high decibel reaction to the Law of Return, I wondered whether it was just the Law of Return or whether it was a culmination of many frustrations that people were feeling, and whether it was symbolic of the gradual change that's taking place.

I can recall several years ago when one never would have thought to question a policy of Israel, where we all thought, including myself, that Israelis were some kind of magicians. I think it's a question of a maturing of our community, it's also a question of the distressing problems that plague Israel and of the power of the electronic media. I am totally convinced that we are not suffering a loss of support for Israel, I think what we are suffering from is of a frustration in terms of not being able to do anything about it and of almost being a witness through the political stresses that are going on. I think this is very, very difficult and very traumatic for the Jewish community today.

Q: That raises a specific question. I notice in your report that Myra Koschitsky was sent over by Congress, in response to Shamir's invitation. As you know in the papers and in Israel this Solidarity Conference has caused a lot of turmoil and a number of organizations took the position that they're not coming because they were very concerned about the fact that if they turned up, Shamir, who is obviously preparing for his Washington visit, would say it means he's right and they are behind his policy. Was Myra Koschitsky given a kind of mandate to speak for Canadian Jews?

A: Well you're talking after the fact, because I saw the results of that conference. Anyway, our delegates made it very clear that they did not want Shamir to use that argument. But we didn't give her any specific instructions.

Q: There was no debate whether anyone should go or not?

A: No, that wasn't an issue. We felt that if the Prime Minister wanted to consult with the International Jewish leadership, by all means that we should be there.

Q: You mentioned the question of the refugees. Because of Glasnost there is anticipation of a very major rise in the numbers who will be leaving the USSR. While this is wonderful news, it brings many problems with it. And one of the problems that is a burning issue right now in Israel and in the U.S. particularly, is this question that you mentioned earlier, about what position to take when the Russian Jews arrive in Vienna with Israeli visas and say they want to go to the U.S.

You merely mentioned that those who want to come to the U.S. and Canada "to rejoin their families" should be helped, but it is well known that the majority of them are not coming to rejoin anyone. They are coming because they want to go to America where they can improve themselves economically. And the cost of this tremendous increase is serious, there is talk about a hundred million dollar campaign in the States. Israel is very concerned that they're going to suffer economically if the additional fund are not raised and also lose potential 'olim'. What position are we taking here?

A: I think there is only one answer to that. We have taken the position of freedom of choice. There is absolutely no way that I would ever endorse telling them they must go to Israel. I think we should use every technique to make them want to go to Israel, but when it comes down to the crunch, if people don't want to go somewhere, I just cannot believe that they can be forced to do that.

Q: Finally, what was it like being a woman in charge of Congress?

A: In one sense it added to my burden — the reason being that when you are the first woman, and you come to it by virtue of the fact of being involved in a women's rights movement, you feel every time you do something that you're reflecting on the women's community.

The other thing is, that most women bring with them a different leadership style from men. We tend

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Jews and Gentiles: A Changing Relationship

by Rabbi Dow Marmur

EXISTENTIALIST philosophers distinguish between authentic and inauthentic existence. Although authentic existence is difficult to define, its opposite is more open to description: it is an existence which is determined by others so that, in the end, I see myself only as others perceive me. A measure of such inauthenticity may be inescapable in life, but when the criteria of others become the only, or the principal, tools of self-understanding, the individual or the group lose their identity.

Since the Emancipation, Jews have often been the victims of inauthentic existence, i.e. they have tended to view themselves with the eyes of the non-Jewish world. Although Jewish self-hatred is older than the Emancipation, it was in the post-Emancipation period that it was particularly in evidence. In their efforts to be accepted into the non-Jewish world, many Jews looked at themselves and at their Judaism with non-Jewish eyes and tried desperately to live up to the expressed expectations of the majority culture. One way in which they went about to achieve their objectives was to agree with the hostile critique of Jews and Judaism and then proceed to show that they were different.

That was probably one reason why German Jews, well on their way to acculturation, looked down on the *Ostjuden*, the Jews from Eastern Europe whose language and dress so closely identified them as Jewish. It was for the same reason that in North America the older Jewish settlers looked down on the *greeners*. Later on, when religion ceased to be the dominant force in the surrounding culture and Jews no longer had to "christianize" their Judaism but to "secularize" it, they founded other institutions that would emulate the non-Jewish world. The Jewish golf-and-country club is a typical example.

The fact that these Jewish institutions — be it the Club or the Community Centre — were deeply conscious of anti-Semitism adds to the irony. Jews wanted to be like the others, but the others would not let them; therefore, they had to emulate the others within a new kind of ghetto by creating imitation institutions. Those whom they wished to emulate forced them to remain in their own Jewish corner. The yearning to assimilate was thwarted by the role

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to be less autocratic. I, myself, have always worked with a decision-making process where I try to get the group to work. I only intervene if I have a problem, if it is not going in the direction I think it should be.

In the beginning of my mandate at Congress they were all looking for me to give them the decisions. I did not. I gave them the information, I wanted them to come to the decision, because I feel people are far more committed to a decision when they've made it and hasn't been someone at the top making it for them. Fortunately, all the decisions were made exactly how I would have gone, so I didn't have to do too much wild intervening.

I think a women President was a new experience for everybody. I must say it's been a super experience for me; I've been lucky to have very good representatives on our Officers' body and an excellent staff. I don't regret for one minute that I put myself into the situation. It's been a really good experience. I think a lot of positive things have happened. I also had the advantage of being able to be more "hands on" than if I had an outside profession. I felt quite in touch with the constituents.

There was a good feeling of being on top of things. Three years to a normal person might seem like a very long time but in organizational life it is a very short period. I am pleased (sorry to get back to it) that everybody is talking about the Lithwick Report, because I have to tell you that in the beginning nobody wanted to change anything, and I felt very strongly that an organization that doesn't stop to look at itself is never going to get to the goal that I talked about which is much more long-range planning. I'm pleased that it's on the way and I'm feeling very good about it.

models. God works in mysterious ways to keep the people of Israel.

Anti-Semitism, which has flourished since the Emancipation, is therefore a central pre-occupation of assimilationists. As hard as they try to be like the others, the others make sure that the Jews remain different. Observant Jews of whatever denomination have enough positive reasons for being Jewish to contain the hatred, even the persecution, by non-Jews. The non-observant do not have such causes for affirmation; as a result, every anti-Semitic utterance pains them out of proportion.

Assimilated Jew Defined Only By Anti-Semitism

Anti-Semitism bestows upon the assimilated Jew much of his or her Jewish identity. They will tell the Rabbi with pride that they are not observant and not religious but "proud to be a Jew." And how does this pride manifest itself? When someone made an anti-Semitic remark they punched him on the nose, or left the premises, or something equally heroic. No amount of Rabbinic eloquence will persuade this "proud" Jew that it is a pity that our enemies have to define our identity rather than our tradition and our God.

The reality of anti-Semitism can only be contained by eager assimilationists on the assumption that these are isolated incidents resulting from poor education or unfortunate Jewish behaviour. If only *we* — the "white Jews" — could present our Judaism, everybody would love us, or at least respect us. Better "community relations" is, therefore, their solution.

Much of the traditional post-Emancipation relationship between Jews and Gentiles was based on this premise. Hence the enthusiasm for the Anti-Defamation League, the Council of Christians and Jews, Community Relations Committees and a host of similar organizations. There are many members of the congregation I serve who would not pay attention even to my Kol Nidre sermon but who will write me warm letters of deep affection on the strength of an unsolicited testimonial from a WASP across the road who had heard me preach in his Church. If the Gentile liked what I had to say, I must be good.

Inauthentic Judaism Becomes Vicarious Judaism

That is why Israel was such a source of *naches* for the assimilated. It showed the world that Jews could behave like Gentiles, only more so. The Six Day War was a turning point in Jewish life: it enabled the Jew to remain far way from Jewish living and yet take pride in being a Jew. The Israeli paratroopers exiated all the *Ostjuden* and all the *greeners*. Inauthentic Judaism became vicarious Judaism. We could make progress towards integration in the Gentile world thanks to the heroism of Jews whom we did not know and whom we had no intention to join.

The paradox of pride in Israel on the one hand and refusal to live in Israel on the other deserves a moment of reflection. Whilst Jews proclaim with gusto and enthusiasm the virtues of Jewish sover-

eignty, they are not prepared to do much for it; even the money we send is not freely given but extracted by peers whose success in canvassing determines their status as Jewish leaders. It is interesting, incidentally, that when Israel most needed the money, i.e. in the very early years of her existence and before, Jews gave very little. Only after the post-1967 Israeli prosperity did the contributions from the Diaspora increase dramatically.

It is to this that we can also trace one of the causes of the persistent failure of the various educational attempts among fund-raisers. The organizers, especially if they are Israelis, believe that if they can increase Jewish knowledge they will heighten Jewish commitment. They ignore the fact that for many of the would-be participants, involvement with Israel is a substitute for commitment to Judaism and, therefore, they will react to study. And they will attend lectures and gatherings for the same reasons that those who turn a deaf ear to my sermons in *shool* will laud my greatness because their non-Jewish neighbour heard me. When the study gets serious rather than fashionable, most people drop out.

Are We Helping Soviet Jews To Assimilate?

Since we are on the subject of irony, let us also reflect for a moment on the Soviet Jewry campaign. Our vicarious Judaism compels us, of course, to urge *others* to go and live in Israel. The poor Jews in the Soviet Union were considered eminently suitable for this enterprise. But they too are largely assimilated; one reason why many of them want to leave the Soviet Union is because integration has been denied them there. Israel was the means of their liberation, but not their promised Land, for there they would have to be Jews, whereas in the West they could assimilate more freely. That is why they prefer Toronto to Tel Aviv, and once they come here, they keep away from the community, and the community is not very keen on their presence either. After all, they are *greeners*; we are only prepared to accept those among them who are suitable for "yellowing".

However, the situation may be changing because the assimilationist enterprise seeking to substitute commitment to Judaism with fight against anti-Semitism and support for Israel is failing. To start with, Israel is no longer a source of unmitigated pride but, in fact, now a cause for considerable embarrassment. We are no longer able to bask in the glory of Israel's defense forces, because suppressing the *intifadah* is less glamorous than rescuing the hostages in Entebbe. Precisely because in our inauthentic existence we find out what we think by reading the papers, we are disturbed by the news items and the editorials about Israel. If you take the New York Times as your Torah then you are pained by the strictures of the queen of the American press. Hence the pre-occupation of the Jewish community with media misrepresentation of Israel. We are no longer making the desired good impression on the Gentiles and that worries us enormously.

The only explanation we can bring ourselves to articulate is, of course, that it is all due to anti-Semitism. Since none of the valiant efforts by the Canada-Israel Committee in this country, and corresponding organizations in other countries, seems to shift public opinion — our WASP neighbour is not likely to congratulate us on Mr. Rabin's latest pronouncement or on Mr. Shamir's latest speech — we are bound to revise our view about anti-Semitism altogether: we no longer see it as episodic but as endemic; we no longer believe that we read in the papers reports of vestiges of the old order directed against uncouth new Jewish immigrants, but we see the style as reflecting a permanent hostility to Jews — not against some other Jews but against ourselves! Like the assimilated Theodor Herzl at the Dreyfuss trial we see ourselves in the dock of the court of public opinion, and we are confused.

Once we recognize the confusion, we see anti-Semitism everywhere. In fact, the surest way of attracting Jewish audiences today is to tell them that anti-Semitism is on the increase and that we are all vulnerable. The ethos of Jewish communal life today rests more and more on this premise. It is an ethos, however, that only rarely brings us back to our roots and to the sources of Judaism. It has not prompted us to find those positive affirmations of Judaism the absence of which made us so vulnerable to anti-

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Semitism in the first place. Instead, the new ethos imbues us with a misguided fighting spirit and a quixotic determination to remove all the obstacles to our total integration/assimilation. Our pre-occupation with anti-Semitism remains linked to our determination to be like everybody else. We feel that we have to be defiant in the face of attacks; it does not occur to us, however, to be more firmly rooted in our tradition. Thus Israeli actions have to be defended come what may, not necessarily because we believe in them but because the accusers must not be vindicated, even if they are right.

Why do I refuse to reckon with the possibility that the Jewish despair over anti-Semitism is not self-seeking and neurotic but motivated by the Jews' determination to build here in Canada a healthy society, free of the disease of prejudice, and therefore anti-Semitism has to be eradicated? Because I fail to see much Jewish concern when other minorities are the victims of prejudice and persecution. I have not seen many Jewish expressions of solidarity with, for example, the Blacks in Canada who feel hounded and discriminated against by those entrusted with law enforcement, just as the Jews once were in the ghetto. There is indeed every reason why we should fight anti-Semitism tooth and nail, for it is an unmitigated evil; but our case is considerably weakened when we fight *only* anti-Semitism and turn a blind eye to the other injustices in our society.

We can do so with impunity because the society into which we seek integration is equally prejudiced against the so-called visible minorities. In fact, the more the majority culture picks on them, the more it leaves the Jews alone. Compared to Blacks and Orientals, all Jews are White and acceptable. Think of South Africa. The fact that Blacks tend to sympathize more with Israel's enemies enables us to rationalize our indifference.

A further change: the relationship between Jews and Gentiles is no longer viewed primarily in terms of Jews and Christians, as it once was. Even the fact that there are other faith communities in this country does not count for much. For ours has become a secularized society. That is why the Council of Christians and Jews is languishing and all similar activities have been marginalized. What brings Jews and Christians together today, albeit in rather low profile, is the fact that they are both in the same boat: in danger of being swamped by a culture that is indifferent to religion.

Religious Institutions No Longer Represent The Community

That is one reason I believe why the religious institution has ceased to be the primary representative of the community; it has been replaced by ostensibly secular bodies. They are the new protagonists of what Jonathan Woocher has described as the civil religion of American Jewry.

I do not intend to extrapolate from the present as to what will happen in the future, but I would like to suggest what *ought* to happen. My first observation is that all attempts to make our Judaism suit Gentile prejudices have not only been pathetic but also futile. Jews trying to minimize or to hide their Jewishness have not earned the respect of the non-Jewish world, whereas Jews who have affirmed their origins and their faith have. It follows, therefore, that the quest for Jewish authenticity is a prerequisite for good Gentile-Jewish relations. I do not have in mind a strident or defiant affirmation of Judaism — for that is invariably a sign of insecurity and the very opposite to what it seems to be — but a quiet expression of standards and values and convictions and practices.

Jewish Commitment Comes First

This means, paradoxically, that if a Jew wants to be accepted as an equal member of this open society of ours, he or she has to sort out his or her own Jewish commitment first. This is particularly true in Canada where the cultural mosaic encourages and rewards those who remain true to their tradition. Being a Jew in Canada today is conducive to espousing the traditional Jewish principles of *torah* (holy study), *avodah* (worship) and *gemilut chassadim* (acts of loving kindness). To be a knowledgeable Jew and a practising Jew makes it easier to be an integrated Canadian.

However, to get this far, at least one other obstacle has to be overcome: the lure of modernity. We may no longer have to imitate the WASPs in the hope of being

accepted by society, but we still believe that being an equal means to be part of the culture that values recreation more than religion and consumerism more than contemplation. To recognize the futility of such vulgar modernity is a necessary challenge for every sensitive woman and man in our society. Jews are not exempt from the challenge; unless they are willing to be critical of modernity they will find it very difficult to affirm their tradition. Being critical does not mean having to reject it — just not to capitulate before it. Jewish authenticity demands from us what Eugene Borowitz has called "creative social maladjustment".

Part of our critical apparatus has to be directed towards the question of anti-Semitism. We have to ask ourselves not only why we were once so naive as to believe that if we only made a good impression on Gentiles, anti-Semitism would go away, but also why we today have such a great need to exaggerate every anti-Semitic manifestation. Of course, there is anti-Semitism in our society and, of course, we have to take steps to expose it and to protect ourselves against it. But it is not the greatest threat to Jewish existence today; there are even cynics who would contend that it keeps us together, at least in the free world, more than it threatens us. Apathy, indifference to tradition and to matters of the spirit, is a much greater threat to our present and our future as Jews. By concentrating on anti-Semitism we are evading the real issues and thus damaging ourselves under the guise of protecting ourselves. We would be much wiser to recognize anti-Semitism for what it is, namely a Gentile disease, rather than to see its eradication as exclusively our problem.

Cure For Anti-Semitism: A Healthy Society

In order to cure anti-Semitism, we must seek to cure the society that breeds it, and that means fighting every form of discrimination and championing every cause that promotes equality and social justice, i.e. a healthy society. We would probably diminish anti-Semitism greatly if we devoted at least some of the energies that now go into the Jewish organizations dedicated to its eradication to causes that work for an overall better society. Solidarity with the disadvantaged will advance our cause more than our present communal insularity. Our desire to be accepted by the

society has — paradoxically again — driven us to an isolationism that defeats our purpose. We have come to build a ghetto in an effort to break down the ghetto; no wonder that our endeavours manifest themselves more in neuroses than in successes for we are fighting the wrong battles with the wrong weapons.

What has been said about our attitude to anti-Semitism can also be said about our defense of Israel. By stonewalling every expression of criticism of Israel and identifying every critic as an enemy of our people, we are presenting ourselves, against our will, as uncaring and unfeeling chauvinists. In our endeavours to be the defenders of Judaism by holding Israel as being beyond reproach, we express views that negate fundamental Jewish values; we are negating the biblical Prophets and siding with their enemies. As a result, we are losing credibility. We would have a much greater impact on our non-Jewish neighbours if we shared with them our dilemmas and our agonies over Israel; if we explained to them — positively, not negatively as a hedge against anti-Semitism — why the return to the land is crucial to our faith and our people and why, to retain sovereignty and to allow for democracy, Jews may at times have to compromise with righteousness, but by no means always; why the return to the land has made it necessary for us to emulate Aaron and not only to seek to be like Moses. And that other faiths — Christianity and Islam among them — and other peoples, including Canadians, have to face the same dilemmas and to experience the same pain; that being critical of Israeli policies is no more a sign of disloyalty by Jews than being critical of Canadian policies is treason.

Such an approach would elicit much greater understanding and support. If we refuse to criticize the government of Israel in the manner that any other government should be criticized, we will present ourselves either as stooges or as zombies; in either case we would be selling ourselves hopelessly short.

A radical approach is, therefore, required both in the critique of what has been done so far and of what needs to be done in the future. Jews have never had it so good in the Diaspora and this is largely due to the existence of Israel. The new situation offers us almost limitless opportunities, but it puts before us enormous challenges. We must not escape either by deploying irrelevant myths and outdated concepts.

Anti-Semitism and Anti-Zionism Today

by Henry H. Weinberg

AN important ingredient in the birth of modern anti-semitism was the transformation of traditional Jew-hatred into an instrument of propaganda through the deliberate exploitation of stereotypes for social and political purposes. The absurdity of the new Jew-hatred, anti-Zionism, manifested itself in all its ugliness long before the "Intifada" and the war in Lebanon, long before Sabra and Shatila, long before Menachem Begin's alleged corruption of the State of Israel. Just one relatively minor episode illustrates this fact. Anti-Zionism displayed its full obscenity on October 1, 1975. The moment of outrage which characterizes the anti-Zionist campaign came on the occasion of a state visit to the United Nations by the president of Uganda, Idi Amin, whom we remember in connection with the Entebbe rescue of Jewish hostages. In October 1975 Idi Amin was already notorious as a savage mass murderer and even as a cannibal. He had personally dismembered some of his victims and preserved parts of their anatomy for future consumption. Yet, Amin was invited to address the United Nations General Assembly and was elected president of the Organization of African Unity.

In his United Nations speech Idi Amin demanded not only the expulsion of the State of Israel from the United Nations but also called for its "extinction." This call for another genocide against the Jews received a standing ovation from the Marxist, Third World and other delegates. On the next day, the Secretary General of the United Nations, Kurt Waldheim, gave a public dinner in Idi Amin's honour. Later that year the U.N. passed the infamous "Zionism

is racism" resolution, the consequences of which — on the present and future generations of Jews — has yet to be fully calculated.

Since October 1975, the hypocrisy of the anti-Zionist campaign has clearly intensified. Anti-Zionism has become an integral part of the political culture of the left as a whole, including social democratic parties, the liberal left intelligentsia, peace movements, women's liberation movements, and even ecologists. (Not long ago, a French Communist automobile factory steward denounced a competing Socialist-oriented automobile workshop as a band "of Facists and Zionists," and Khomeini called the novelist Salmon Rushdie a "Zionist agent.") Israel, one of the few genuine democracies in the world, is regularly compared to the racist regime in South Africa. These malicious distortions no longer raise any eyebrows. Israel's policies are matter-of-factly described as malevolent and racist.

Israel Vilified — Terrorism Glorified

Every effort of Israel to defend itself against the unrelenting Arab hostility has been exploited to paint it as the greatest evil on earth, while terrorism in its many forms, has been glorified in the name of liberation as a means of increasing sympathy for the Palestinian cause. We must remember that anti-Zionism does not ultimately distinguish between Israelis and Jews living in the Diaspora. The pro-P.L.O. militants fully understand, that the efforts to destroy Israel must include an attempt to weaken and undermine the position of Jews the world over. Not only Zionism, but Judaism as well, is turned into a prototype of racism. There is no question that the negation of Israel has both latent and manifest anti-Semitic content. Although not all criticism of Israel can be attributed to anti-Semitic motives much of it crosses the fine line that separates anti-Semitism from anti-Zionism.

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Generally, anti-Zionism cannot be separated from anti-Semitism because the evil that had once been attributed to Jews has come increasingly to be attributed to Israel, and the treatment that was once considered appropriate for Diaspora Jewry, isolation, deligitimation, and ultimate extinction, is now considered appropriate for the State of Israel. The critics of Israel often use the same language and the same double standard as the critics of the Jews in the past. If the Jews were once accused of ritual murder, the Israelis are now charged with wanton, deliberate murder of women and children.

When Anti-Zionism Is Anti-Semitism

Anti-Zionism is anti-Semitism when Jews are classified as good or as bad depending on whether they are labelled as Zionists or non-Zionists. Anti-Zionism is also anti-Semitism when Holocaust and genocide language are used to describe Israeli policies toward Arabs. Anti-Zionism is anti-Semitism when Jews are charged with dual loyalty for their support of Israel and are held responsible for its policies. Anti-Zionism is anti-Semitism when French and Italian Jews are punished for their Zionist "sins" while praying in synagogues or eating in Jewish restaurants, and old American Jews are murdered on cruise ships. Christians do not have to celebrate Christmas under the protection of the Paris or London police but Jews going to shul on Yom Kippur, do. In all these cases Jews are not targeted as Israeli soldiers, but as Jews.

At the heart of the problem is the double standard Israel's actions have been subjected to. While the world press conducts a daily count on the Palestinians injured in riots, somehow the world remains silent, when Arab, Socialist Algeria machine guns five hundred people in a few days in order to put down food riots. There was not a word of condemnation of Algeria by the Canadian government and the Toronto *Globe and Mail* minimized the five hundred dead when it editorialized that "although the suppression" of the demonstrations may be "deplorable and tragic," the *Globe* stressed "that it would be more tragic if the policies of economic liberalisation should be stalled." In regard to the use by the Iraq government of chemical warfare, particularly its use of mustard gas against Kurds, the silence of the world is again deafening. The *New Republic* commented aptly: "the Israelis have been the object of more international criticism for their use of tear gas than the Iraqis have of mustard gas."

The Kurds' historical and moral case certainly is older and stronger than that of the Palestinians. But they have not been fortunate enough to have the Jews as their enemies. If the Israelis were hurling tear gas at the Kurds the victims would enjoy vast international sympathy and support. The Vatican would be solicitous of their future; the liberal Protestant churches would fund their propaganda. . . . the European states would counsel them in diplomacy; Jews would smother them with Jewish guilt; intellectuals would be improvising for them a noble history." But, unfortunately for them, the Kurds are not Palestinians.

Israel fighting for its survival is branded as an imperialistic power, but few pinned this label on Great Britain when it fought a true imperialistic war allegedly for the sovereignty of a few shepherds in the Falkland Islands, and killed more than a thousand Argentinians in the process. No one accused France or the United States of "losing their soul" when they committed atrocities in Algeria or in Vietnam. As Ruth Wisse put it, some American Jews recite the Anthony Lewis (the *New York Times* columnist) conjugation in serialized weekly numbers: "Israel will lose its soul; Israel is losing its soul; Israel has lost its soul."

Marco Pannella, the leader of the Italian Radical Party, a liberal, left-of-center party, said recently: "The gravest of Israel's mistakes amounts to *nothing* when compared with what Middle-Eastern governments do to Arabs . . . on a daily basis."

There is no question that Israel's actions and policies are judged differently because it is a Jewish state. There are those who argue that the application of an exceptionally high moral standard to Israel's behaviour, is a form of flattery of the Jews. I would argue that such flattery has Semitic overtones because it implies a refusal by the gentiles to grant Jews the right to behave as mortal human beings, the right to fight in their defense, and occasionally to make mistakes.

Legitimacy Of Israeli State Attacked

Attacks on the legitimacy of the Israeli state, distinct from a fair critique of its policies, constitutes the core of anti-Semitic discourse. This has a number of

implications for Jewish Diaspora identity and wellbeing. Now, as during the war in Lebanon, Diaspora Jews are being warned, in not too subtle a fashion, that unless they denounce the "Hitlerian policies" of the government of Israel, that if they "remained silent," they would bear the same guilt as the Germans who did not protest during the Hitler period.

The warning to world Jewry implicit in this brainwashing campaign is clear: in order to keep its moral values, in order to preserve eternal Judaism, it must put a distance between itself and the "corrupting influence" of the State of Israel. The warning Jews are now faced with represents another perilous choice, a new form of the dual loyalty dilemma: Jews must choose, between "traditional values" and the State of Israel, which has allegedly betrayed these values. If, in the past, the Jew was suspect in his allegiance to the country in which he held citizenship, by pledging devotion to a corporate Jewish body, he now risks losing his personal integrity by remaining loyal to the Jewish state.

The new dual loyalty charge contains a highly corrosive element whose purpose is to destroy traditional Jewish solidarity, the glue that has held the Jews united for over 2000 years. Yasser Arafat and the new custodians of the Jewish soul denounce the appearance of a new breed of defective, inauthentic Jews, the Israelis, whose crime, is that they are insufficiently Jewish. A new tactic, part of the psychological warfare waged by the PLO and its allies, involves smothering the Jewish people with compliments and deference, in order to divide and conquer, in order to alienate Diaspora Jews from Israel, in order to isolate the target, Israel, that has proven less vulnerable to assault by conventional warfare.

Playing on reemerging neo-diasporic sentiments among Jewish intellectuals, the enemies of the Jews have become champions of a new kind of "Yiddishkeit." The implications of this propaganda campaign which attempts to persuade world Jewry that it faces a moral dilemma in its relationship with the state of Israel have not been fully understood. Its potential danger cannot be ignored.

France First To Apply Double Standard

The First Western democracy where a double standard was applied systematically to the State of Israel was General Charles de Gaulle's French Republic. France was also the first major Western state to see hostility to Israel degenerate into hostility to Jews. My recent book, *The Myth of the Jew France 1967 - 1982* illustrates the process which led from a break of an alliance between France and Israel, to increasing hostility to the Jewish state, to charges of dual loyalty against French Jews, to anti-Semitic rhetoric in the media, and finally to physical violence.

Following the Six Day War, President de Gaulle decided to break the strategic alliance that existed between Israel and France since the early 1950s. It is now clear that he used Israel's firing the first shot in the war as an excuse to realign his country's policies with the Arab states for strategic reasons. In order to

justify the realignment of his policy de Gaulle decided to criticize Israel, but in the process, he mixed anti-semitic stereotypes with geo-political considerations. In November 1967, at a press conference, he called the Jewish people arrogant and domineering. Everyone remembers the famous words about a "peuple dominateur et sûr de lui-même." However, the general also used other anti-Semitic clichés. He spoke of Israel's "burning ambition for conquest," i.e. expansionism. He said: "throughout history Jews have provoked anti-Semitism," and ill will. He implied that the Jews are immensely rich, opportunistic, exercise inordinate influence, and mount massive propaganda campaigns. The words "influence" and "propaganda" echoed anti-Semitic myths. Jews, said the general, "ought to be grateful for the sympathy that was offered to them by Christians," "in spite" of recurrent "waves of antagonism they had provoked." He also implied that Israel and Jews lacked "humility." All this was said by France's greatest political figure in this century, not by some anti-Semitic preacher.

The highly prestigious, the most respected daily in France, an institution, *Le Monde*, went even farther. Its hostility to Israel was long-standing. Through the years *Le Monde* justified PLO terrorism as a reaction to "frustration" and used rabid anti-Semites as correspondents in Lebanon. Alain Besançon, the eminent historian, wrote: "*Le Monde* has persevered in developing through anti-Zionism a very consistent anti-Jewish policy." *Le Monde* also regularly questioned the loyalty of French Jews. These accusations were accompanied by veiled threats. This prestigious daily also deemed it appropriate to publish an article by the most prominent French Holocaust denier, Professor Robert Faurisson (a star witness for the defense at both Zundel trials).

Potentially, what happened in France between 1967 and 1982 could happen in other Western countries in one variant or another. Part of the French scenario, accusations against the state of Israel, followed by protests from the Jewish community, followed by accusations in newspapers concerning the dual loyalty of the Jews, have already been reenacted in Canada, in March of last year.

It is difficult to claim that all those who criticize the State of Israel are motivated by anti-Semitism. There are those who object to some Israeli policies without denying Israel's right to exist or to defend itself. Criticism of Israel has to be analyzed as to its source and motive. However, there is little doubt that most attacks on Zionism represent, at the very least, a form of collective discrimination against the Jewish people. Moreover, we are witnessing today an unprecedented globalization of anti-Semitism under the guise of anti-Zionism. The Japanese are now printing the "Protocols of the Elders of Zion" and the Malaysians, who have never seen a Jew, refuse to play music by Jewish composers.

Holocaust denial the world over, not just in Canada, has had the effect of decriminalizing mass murder, of falsifying Jewish history, of raising doubts about Jewish moral claims upon Gentiles, and ultimately, of disarming those who fight against anti-Semitism.

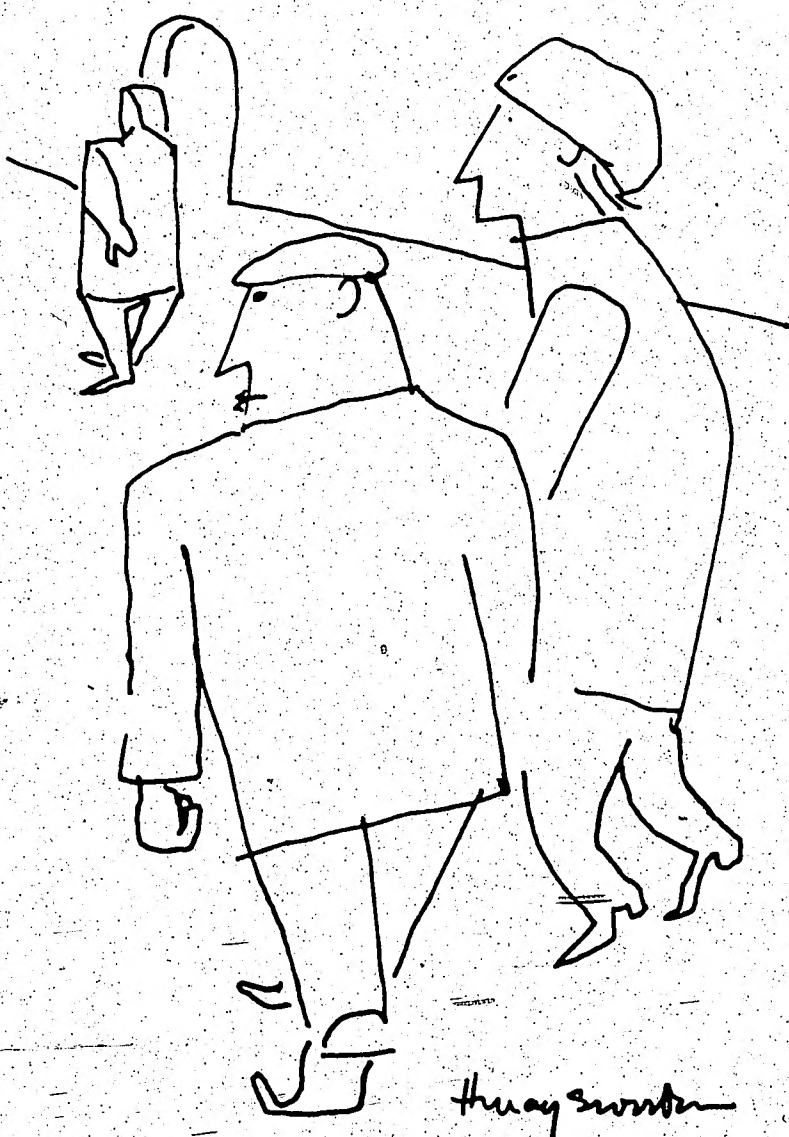
What Should We Do?

What should we do? What should be our reaction to the hostility surrounding us? In the past, Jews have used just about every method imaginable to gain favour in the eyes of the gentiles. They have tried to be conciliatory and humble, philanthropic and loyal. Nathan Perlmutter has composed a remarkable list of such attitudes. "To avoid, deflect, blunt, escape, hurdle and shield themselves from antisemitism, Jews have tried conversion, pretended invisibility, adapted to the cultures of their persecutors, assimilated, passed, championed social and political panaceas, have self-hated and self-loved, made alliances with other discriminated-against groups, with the rich and the powerful and the poor and the powerless; with radicals and with reactionaries, courted Christians and atheists."

Two Kinds of Anti-Semitism

There are two kinds of anti-Semitism; attitudinal and behavioural. One consists of a set of emotions and beliefs, the other can express itself in public manifestations of hatred toward Jews. If attitudinal anti-Semitism can possibly be altered in the long term, by education — although this prospect is becoming increasingly questionable — behavioural anti-Semitism has to be confronted immediately, on a case by case basis, through every means available to us, including the courts and effective legislative power.

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Similar Paths

by Naim Kattan

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ON the first day we avoided each other. We found ourselves constantly side by side in the assembly hall, the restaurant and the hotel lobby. The next day, departure from Tangier for Fez. I entered the bus in front of him, I was alone on a seat for two. Will he sit down elsewhere to avoid me? A moment's hesitation, a smile.

— May I?

— Certainly.

— What a lovely day, he said.

It was the end of the summer and the sun no longer burning.

— Permit me to introduce myself. Afif Fawaz, of Georgetown University originally from Acre in Palestine.

— I am Eazra Aslami of Baghdad, from Carleton University of Ottawa.

— I've never been there, I was at a conference in Toronto last year. They say that Ottawa is a beautiful city.

— Yes it is, and very quiet.

— That's not the case in Washington, although compared to New York, it's also a quiet city.

The bus filled up and started. We were about thirty at a conference to discuss problems of the environment.

— We would have been better off to discuss North-South relations.

— Yes, but environmental problems are world wide.

— You're right.

We fell silent. We looked at the landscape. How to overcome the uneasiness? If I spread my newspaper he would think that I wanted to end the conversation or perhaps that I didn't want to involve him in a discussion.

— How long have you been in Washington?

— Twenty years, and you?

— Forty.

— Have you visited your home often?

— Never, I cannot.

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The media can play a major role in this, but we must learn how to use them effectively. We must also realize that combating anti-Semitism is not the exclusive task of professionals, but of everyone.

The old strategy of no confrontation, no publicity, "sha shil", has now been proven to be mistaken. There is no evidence that hate groups benefit from undeserved publicity. There is evidence to the contrary. A study conducted by sociologists at the University of Ottawa — following the first Zundel trial — indicates that the fears of some leaders in the community that Zundel and Jew-haters would benefit from the publicity of a trial have proven to be unwarranted. The Ottawa study showed, that across Canada, the Zundel trial created greater hostility toward Germans and more sympathy toward Jews.

The efforts of Jews to prevent Nazis from marching in Skokie, Illinois have also indicated a similar effect; unfavourable media reaction toward the Nazis and a greater awareness of the horrors of the Holocaust among millions of Americans.

The Jewish people are facing today a very difficult situation. Only by remaining vigilant, by reacting without timidity and obsessive self-justification, by rejecting the hesitations of the past, by its strong support for Israel, by showing its detractors that it will no longer tolerate scorn and intimidation, will the Jewish people withstand the threats which face it today.

— Political reasons?

— No, religious. I'm Jewish.

— I know, but I thought that Iraq had invited the Jews to return.

— Perhaps, but I never received an invitation.

The silence grew more and more embarrassing. Should I talk again about the conference and the weather?

— And you, do you often go back home to Acre?

— It's no longer my home. I have no home any more.

— His voice, mingling regret and anger, was defiant.

— Why, are you forbidden to go back?

He bridled.

— Certainly not, I was invited by the Hebrew University a few months ago.

— And did you go?

— Yes, the professors are friends of mine. I had no problems with the students. I spoke Hebrew like they do. I did my high school studies in an Israeli school, but the humiliation was when I entered and left the country. My name. Do I look like a terrorist? they thought I was. Rationally, I tried to understand. They are afraid. They suspect everyone, including Jews. But Acre is my home town. The streets of my childhood are there but they have become strange. There are no longer even shadows, phantoms. Nobody, and yet I knew every house, every window, I had leaned against every wall, I had walked on every street and now, the city is foreign to me. It's as if they have taken away my substance, assimilated my past.

I looked at him, moved. I have never revisited the walls of my childhood. I have never wanted to see them again. The past for me, is still assassinated. A fine consolation! The past for Afif is Acre and the city is still there, teeming with life. While for me, Baghdad is only reconstructed in my memory, I have no need to see it again, I took it with me. I possess it. I enclose it, and I am free of it.

— I was in Baghdad, he said, three years ago. I was there for four months.

— And? I waited.

— I was anxious to leave, he said with an embarrassed smile. I sensed the beginning of complicity.

— I was very well received, but I could not get used to the mentality. The Iraqis are wonderful, generous, but they change suddenly, without any reason. I think they lack a sense of humour.

— One always says that, I said, slightly piqued, when one doesn't understand the other, when one doesn't share his sense of humour.

Was I purposely making this automatic nationalistic defense to find a common territory, to establish a complicity on my part? He smiled, understanding. We were talking, without realizing it, in Arabic, each naturally with his own accent.

— Listen, I like Iraqis, but I'll tell you a little story and you will understand. One day I said to two colleagues who have seen the world — "Iraqi women are beautiful. I meant to flatter them. I was sincere. They looked at me suspiciously, accusingly — How do you know?

He told me the story with an Iraqi accent, mockingly but without malice.



— I was guilty, but of what?

— Indirectly, I said, This could be an attack on their honour. Who is the Iraqi woman? She could be a wife, a sister, a cousin.

— That's reaching pretty far — don't you think so?

— Yes, maybe.

— I understand you have qualms about returning. In your place I would really be afraid. He was obviously on my side. I did not like this complicity.

— It is so long ago and my real country is the one I have chosen.

He sensed my feelings. He wanted to convince me, not disturb me. We were on a slippery slope.

— Twenty years ago I went to Acre during a visit to Israel, I was with my wife, a Canadian. We wandered down the side streets. Children and adolescents ran behind. We spoke French, we were strangers and there was in their curiosity a mingled welcome and hostility. A neutrality. I started speaking Arabic. The attitude of the children changed — Israeli? demanded the oldest.

— No, I replied gently.

Why had I spoken in Arabic? To brag for my wife? To establish my origin? Which? And suddenly the atmosphere changed. I was the Jew and they were the Muslims. They were the aggressors and I was the hunted, seeking refuge and protection. My childhood fear overwhelmed me.

— Don't walk so fast, said my wife. She looked at the children, smiled at them.

— They are so beautiful. She understood nothing.

— But why are you rushing? It's almost as if you are afraid.

— Me, afraid? How could I admit it? How could I tell her? I was ashamed. I was afraid and was ashamed of my fear.

Afif understood, but what was the use? One doesn't change one fear by another. The feeling between us had not yet been established. Perhaps he also was trying to break into the magic circle.

— The first time I visited Morocco, I said, it was a *coup de foudre*.

— It's a beautiful country, he agreed.

— Oh, you know, there are no ugly countries, everywhere there are rivers, trees, and mountains.

He was silent. Perhaps he knew what I was trying to say.

— It's a unique country in the Arab world.

— It's the only one where I'm happy to rediscover the past, let us say where I am comfortable. Where I'm not afraid, where I do not see hostility behind the smile, anger behind the warmth.

— That's the way it was at Acre.

— I don't know. I was there, perhaps it was too close to me, perhaps it was me.

He sensed that our different childhoods had erected a barrier, and if we were not careful it would become insurmountable.

In the dining room we met naturally. Afif had kept a seat beside him. We agreed that the Moroccan food did not take second place to that of Baghdad or Acre. He praised the *mascouf* of Baghdad and to return the compliment I praised the merits of *kebbe*. We attempted minor criticisms of the West but it didn't last long. We both loved the West and we had no desire to relive the daily problems and archaisms which we had escaped.

That evening, when our companions had returned, we went for a walk. We recognized, without saying so, the deserted city, and here and there a street merchant and a café still open. Sometimes, wandering the streets of a small Italian or Brazilian village, I imagined with dread the childhood I would have had if I had been born there. This time I had no need to imagine, I had only to remember. There was nothing exotic in those small streets which, now silent, spread their odors as if to recall the persistence of a life which needed many manifestations to affirm itself. We believe in living. I could not share my sadness and vague nostalgia with Afif. I did not feel the joy of having turned my back on an existence which weighed me down, which choked me. Did I regret its passing because it could never return?

— If I had the power I would clean these streets, Afif said. And yet compared to the streets of Baghdad, these streets were remarkably clean.

— You have become Westernized, I said, laughing.

— And you. You would like to smell these odors? I wanted to lie, to say "sometimes", or "I don't know", to please him. But, I don't know, I said.

I felt the distance that separated us. We were seeking refuge in a childhood stripped of all sadness, of all terror, so as to come closer to each other. Why? to save this childhood? Or to save in this childhood that which hurt us most? Did we dream nostalgically

of a past in which we might have understood each other, become friends?

— You know, no matter what might have happened, I would have left. I wanted to leave Baghdad. I would have done so even if I had not been Jewish.

— Me, I don't know, but I don't think that I want to return. I would like to have the choice of returning or remaining where I am. Where I am at home.

When it was suggested that our group visit the old city, they agreed enthusiastically. We loitered among the boutiques and watched the English, French and Americans trying to bargain over a bracelet, a brass tray or a billfold.

— Would you like to see how hides are tanned to make leather?

— Yes. Yes, said the delegates.

We said no, but timidly, our voices were lost. We followed the group. We passed the fish market, and the waves of a stronger smell made the smell of fish bearable. The smell became more and more nauseating, overcame us. I felt myself growing dizzy.

— It's unendurable, I said.

The vats, the rotting hides were covered with water. A man, smiling, lifted a skin for us to see, and the smell became suffocating.

We ran over the tiles, sliding. A woman in the group was falling, and being held by two men. I looked at her, stupefied.

— Careful, I heard Afif say, but I was already on the ground, prone. Did I faint?

I found myself sitting in front of a fruit stand. Afif was crushing lemon and mint under my nose. He was livid.

— What's going on? I said.

— Come, he said, walk slowly, we'll find a taxi.

We found ourselves at the hotel. He saw me to my room, ordered tea, and sat down in front of me.

— You frightened me, he said. His voice was choked with emotion; it told me of his anxiety and affection.

— I've called a doctor.

— It's nothing.

— I've called a doctor, he repeated firmly. I know it's nothing, I want to hear the doctor say so.

— What stupidity! You'd think these people have never seen anything.

— They're pleased by the primitive. A little more and they would have visited the archaic toilets.

— There was no way to avoid following them, I said to excuse myself. I know we were together.

— Luckily.

How was I to tell him of my joy in feeling him so near, to know that he was there, totally, with every fibre of his body. How would I have acted in his place? We were bound together. Accident, adversity has been added to the past.

— Don't talk, he ordered me.

I kept quiet, it was too soon to tell him of my feelings. Nothing happened, except that he had been there, present, and I did not have the words to tell him that I knew, that I understood, like he did, and I wanted him to know it.

He left my room to let me sleep. He left the number of his room on my night table with the words in Arabic: Call me at any hour.

The next morning, he waited for me in the lobby.

— Have you had breakfast? he asked as if nothing had happened.

— No.

He did not add: "I waited for you." He was happy. His face shone. He took my arm and led me. I was fine. And we were going to celebrate the victory. To be together, to eat bread and drink coffee.

In the afternoon, in the conference hall, Afif chose not to sit beside me. He did not want to impose his presence, for fear of boring me. I got up and went to him. We said nothing. We had nothing to say. We were afraid to break the silence too quickly gained.

On the following days we kept a place for one another in the conference room, the restaurant, the bus. The others at the conference respected our desire for intimacy of the two "compatriots". Afif liked jokes. He had a collection of them. I didn't try to keep up with him, I have never remembered jokes. I laughed.

— I like to hear you laugh. I tell you these jokes to hear you laugh.

The "dirty" jokes opened a new road to intimacy. Timidly, we spoke of women, those present at first. We realized we were touching another sensitive nerve. The women were indifferent. Women of the country were unattainable, except those one paid. We spoke of our wives, to the extent that one can speak of one's family, achieve intimacy, without wounding

unintentionally. We realized that we were non-Westerners, even though we watched each other for Arab reactions, perhaps old-fashioned, but which we must respect. From time to time he alluded, in passing, to his Jewish friends, meetings, relationships, and then once again falling silent, for fear of being misunderstood. He was not looking to reach me by facile flattery, for then every attempt to erase the distance between us would have been a lie, and no friendship would have been possible.

— It takes a long time to have a friend, to build friendship.

— And it's so easy to destroy it, he was about to add.

We recognized an affection, an instinctive attraction. Between men, it takes time, and nothing is said. He told me of his love for a Hungarian Jewess.

— You could easily have been taken for a Jew, I told him.

— That's funny. She looked like a Hungarian. It was in Edinburgh, where I spent two years. It was before I met my wife. There were many Hungarians in Edinburgh. It seemed that emigrés from Budapest were everywhere. It was because of Lena. You can imagine how she was criticized for going out with a Jew. She never explained to them, it only made her laugh. I think that she loved the misunderstanding — part of her, at least, enjoyed the confusion.

— I have never fallen in love with an Arab, even Jewish.

— Neither have I.

At Casablanca, we left the other delegates. It was over. Around the hotel the streets were swarming with street vendors and strollers. We asked the passers-by: the Corniche? That way, this way, it's far, it's close by. We crossed ordinary streets, trampling newspapers, pursued by blasting transistors. Dead tired, we decided to retrace our steps. Near the hotel a restaurant advertised a musical program.

— Let's go, I suggested.

— You think that we should? asked Afif.

— Music, I said.

— You're a believer, he said sarcastically.

For him music could come only from Cairo or perhaps Beirut. The Maghreb... The restaurant was on the second floor. We were among only a few clients. But the evening was young. We ordered food and drinks.

— When does the music start? I asked the hostess.

— Later, soon. She sat down with us. Long face, sleek hair, brilliant eyes, an affected smile.

— How is it going here for you? I asked, to break the silence.

— After the musicians, the singers, it's me.

— And after? I asked, laughing.

— I'm free.

— What do I do to invite you?

— You tell me. Tell me now, if you want me.

The orchestra arrived. Andalusian music. Four girls began to walk about, making sounds that were supposed to be music, repeating the same words over and over. The hostess got up, went toward a table where Saudis were ordering drinks.

— Do you know how they choose the singers? asked Afif.

— No. They're not bad, I said half-heartedly, humming to the pounding rhythm.

— They have a competition. The ugliest girls in the country. And these are the winners.

The dancers entered. They made a tour of the tables, wiggling their hips, giving an imitation of a famous dancer. Afif applauded.

— In recognition of their effort, he said.

He was angry. His sarcasm was only a mask.

— In Baghdad, I said, I lived not far from a "malha". In the summer, on the roof, before going to sleep, I heard Nurjous Chawki and Salima Pacha... In the summer the "malha" was outdoors.

— It must still be there, he said, conciliatory.

— But not the singers of my childhood.

He had gone to a restaurant inside an old train station Khan Murjan.

— It was really good.

We left the restaurant. The music that we loved was not there.

The next morning, I asked the concierge if there was a synagogue open. They gave me the address of the nearest one. I told my plan to Afif.

— I'm coming with you, he said immediately.

The door was locked. We rang for the concierge.

Afif spoke to him in Hebrew. He was Muslim, he understood only Arabic and French. I explained in French what I wanted. He opened the door. Afif, who had attended the Israeli school in Acre, read the Ten Commandments.

— Can you read too?

— Yes, I said, without trying to demonstrate.

The synagogue reminded me neither of the old ones of my childhood nor the new ones, modern and plush, in America. Although empty, there it was alive. "It's not all finished," I said to myself, choked with emotion. I was afraid that my tears would overflow. Afif did not understand. He interrogated the concierge. Yes, the building was used.

— Here one had liberty to practice one's religion? The man didn't understand. Liberty? There was the building. On a street like any other. That's the way it was in Bagdad once, but that was in the past, a past that was finished. "It's all too late," I told myself, unfortunately for the efforts of Afif. It's the end.

The next day he would leave for his home in Washington and I would take the plane for Montreal.

— Let's take a taxi together to the airport, Afif suggested.

— But your plane leaves two hours after mine.

— I'll wait. What's the difference, the hotel or the airport?

I waited and looked forward to this last rendezvous. I was also doubtful about it. Farewells at an airport have always seemed to me interminable and purposely dramatic. But I was not leaving, I was going home.

In the taxi he spoke to me about his courses, the many heavy duties which a university involves. He spoke in English. I listened. Then a long moment of silence. I didn't want to recount my life in return. In a few days Fez and Tangier would be only a memory. I thought about Afif. "Thank you", I wanted to tell him, "you were like a brother", but it would have been too theatrical and he might laugh, embarrassed.

— I am very happy about our meeting each other, he said, pressing my arm.

— But it's not over. We'll meet again.

— I hope so. I don't doubt it. You can visit me with your family. We'll find room for you.

— You too. My wife will be happy.

Silence returned. It did not disturb us. Like me, Afif seemed to welcome it. At the airport, the brouhaha, the confusion, the queues, prevented us from thinking about anything else. Everything was ready. We were in the waiting room. It was a half hour before take off. Afif suggested a coffee.

— If in '48 Jews and Arabs were left alone in Israel, I began. I stopped and looked at his face. He was gazing into the distance.

— Perhaps, I continued, if they had been free from all intervention, perhaps... in his eyes I saw sadness, nostalgia, hopelessness.

— Yes, perhaps, he said.

What could I say that was not a vain regret, a false hope? In spite of everything, friendship was possible. It would be immediate, tacit and silent.

— Perhaps they might have ended by understanding one another.

We embraced each other to seal our encounter, to avoid emotion, to express promise.

Canadian Jews and the Federal Election

by Eugene and Rhoda Kaellis

TWO major considerations of particular concern to Jews have emerged from the federal election campaign. One is the intense, militant nationalism expressed in the debates and rhetoric surrounding the free trade issue. The other is the increased support given the NDP, especially in Western Canada. At least the first will undoubtedly continue as the effects of free trade work their way through Canadian society.

Opponents of free trade expressed nationalism initially as part of a presumed concern over the future of Canada's economy and its social programs, if the pact were ratified. But, fed by the inevitable hyperbole of campaigns and the need to create a sharp

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distinction among contending parties, the issue took on a life of its own culminating in the Liberal Party's "Crusade for Canada."

Turner, if he remains as leader will on occasion, for no other reason than that he has to appear to be consistent, resurrect his crusader rhetoric and the Liberal Party, pragmatic as usual, will attack the government for whatever can be perceived as a negative consequence of free trade. But, especially if the party acquires a new leader, it will almost certainly drop much of its extreme nationalist rhetoric, relegating that stance to history as an inadequate tactic of the 1988 election campaign.

While the Liberals made the fullest use of this theme, nationalism, both cultural and economic, has traditionally been a feature of NDP policy and support. The post-election NDP almost immediately revealed serious schisms within its ranks. Bob White, the auto workers' union leader, and others, largely concentrated in the trade union movement and forming the more ideological and militant sections of the party, now have the edge over the left-liberal faction and will exert the stronger influence regardless of who the next NDP leader is. This undoubtedly means a continuing, probably increasing, anti-American, nationalist stance.

For Jews it is important to place this consideration into a specific context. *In the entire history of militant nationalism there has not been a single example anywhere in the world from which Jews have benefited.* This, I suggest, includes not only militant nationalism among European, American, African, Asian, and Latin American nations, but the militant nationalism now being displayed by the Israeli Right as well.

Extreme nationalism is based on overstating and exaggerating the extent and depth of shared values and cohesive forces in contemporary societies which are, in almost every part of the world, economically, religiously, culturally, ethnically, and racially heterogeneous. Although the formulation is never lacking in political rhetoric, very few statements can be made, for "all Canadians" without introducing stringent and severely limiting qualifications.

Militant nationalism is forced to deal with this heterogeneity, but rather than accommodate itself to the facts, it seeks to alter them by efforts to make the population uniform. Inevitably, therefore, militant nationalism becomes anti-minority and xenophobic. The majority pays for these attempts by an ethical demise, a cultural poverty, and an intellectual pretence. In many instances, particularly when Jews are the victims of this homogenization process, the majority also pays economically by stifling creativity and enterprise. In the meantime, the affected minorities bear the brunt of the suffering.

French Canada, particularly in the last decade, while still facing many problems in the perpetuation of its own culture, has developed a degree of cultural security which, for it, is unprecedented in this century. The furor over the Supreme Court decision on Bill 101 does not contradict this statement, it underlines it. Without the cultural determination and security to pass that bill and the one which replaced it after the court's ruling, there would not have been the controversy. The basic reason for the cultural vigor of Quebec's Francophones is that Quebec has never had the alternative of a seductive, pervasive, easily accessible and rival culture on the North American continent into which it could slip without giving up its Francophone heritage. For Quebecois the choice is simple — retain Francophone culture or watch it rapidly become an attenuated relic.

English Canada Becoming Anti-American

English Canada is experiencing precisely the opposite situation in facing American culture. The overlap is large and is increasing. On a short-term basis the merging can be almost imperceptible. English Canada has therefore the need to distinguish itself, and it usually does this by the facile expedient of anti-Americanism. Whether any other form of maintaining a distinct Anglophone Canadian culture can succeed is debatable. Nonetheless, if anti-Americanism must perforce be the prime factor in maintaining Anglophone Canadian culture, there are serious, even threatening, consequences attached.

One is obviously an attack on what the United States, in the popular imagination, stands for. Acknowledged world leader of the relatively liberal-democratic, free economy bloc, the U.S.A. has become, for

those who see the world's economic, political, and environmental ills as an outgrowth of this economy, the paragon of evil.

The nationalist-socialist policy of the NDP therefore contacts two strong currents in Canadian life — one cultural-political, the other, economic. Although the Party did not replace the Liberals as the official opposition, it attracted a broader base of support than in any previous federal election. Examining the significance of the NDP vis-a-vis Canadian Jews is, therefore, useful.

Compared to the Liberals and the Conservatives the NDP has a superior record of human rights advocacy and Jewish representation in its party leadership. However, even considering Joe Clark's speech on the *intifada*, compared to the Liberals and Conservatives, the NDP's support of Israel has been more qualified and more "pro-Palestinian." In its 1983 resolution on the Middle East, still in effect, the NDP Federal Council stated that the party supports "the right of the Palestinians to a recognized national homeland of their own" and asked for greater involvement of the PLO in the peace process. In light of the recent Palestine National Council's Algiers Declaration, one can expect that support for and extension of this position will increase, particularly among NDP supporters.

The resolution also urged recognition of the right of Israel to exist and decried the use of both terrorism and military force. Obviously it is "even handed." The question is, of course, should it be? Many Jews, mindful of the history of the past decades and firm in their support of democratic values, don't view the Arab-Israeli conflict with the same degree of equivocation that seems to characterize the NDP position.

Many NDP Activists Blatantly Pro-PLO

Moreover, even many Canadian Jews who have expressed the view that Palestinians in the Occupied Territories should be allowed a greater degree of autonomy now, who oppose an increase in Jewish settlements in these territories, and who accept the presumed inevitability of a separate Palestinian entity, are more concerned about the blatantly pro-PLO and anti-Israel expressions of many NDP activists than about official party positions.

Months ago, for example, an NDP paper (*The Clarion* of Vancouver-Quadra riding) carried a statement calling for the virtual dissolution of the State of Israel. And, when Noam Chomsky delivered an anti-Israel tirade in Victoria in 1984 in which he advocated, among other things, that North American organizations raising funds for Israel lose their charitable organization status, a large proportion of his wildly applauding audience consisted of local NDP activists. These events, not atypical, raise the question — How much clout would such Party activists be able to wield in a circumstance in which the NDP exercised considerable influence on government policy?

The relationship of the NDP to the United Church also bears examination. With the steady withdrawal of many of its members who do not favor the social action position of the Church or who believe that it should be essentially apolitical, the UC has increasingly taken on the attributes of the NDP "at prayer." While there has been an improvement in the objectivity of the United Church Observer's position on the Middle East, the publication still bears the legacy of its history of pronounced anti-Israelism.

The possibility of the NDP emerging as a greater power in the next Federal election poses other, even if less immediate, perhaps more important, considerations for Jews. One of these is an historical tendency of Left parties to drift into anti-Semitism based on a "socialist" perspective, or more precisely, the pseudo-socialist perspective which August Bebel, the German Social Democratic leader, once called "the socialism of fools."

Although their influence and power have been exaggerated and distorted by anti-Semites, since the advent of capitalism Jews have traditionally been associated with finance and mercantile activities. There are many *bona fide* historical reasons for this association. The foremost was the long-standing denial by Christian authorities of Jewish land ownership and curtailment of alternative activities. Partly forced into finance and mercantile activities, partly inclined to them by international associations, sharing a common language, and a high degree of literacy, Jews had also to retain fluid assets as a means of survival in case of expulsion or quick flight to avoid persecution. Since fluid assets tempted Christian nobles and creditors to expropriate, Jews were among the first to treat money as an abstract commodity, easily and quickly transferable to avoid seizure. This development created the basis for the financial system

of credit, stock companies, and modern international trade.

In any case, "Jewish capital" became a target for no less a Leftist luminary than Karl Marx who wrote frequently on the subject, devoted an entire book (*A World Without Jews*) to the subject, and expressed a vicious personal racist antipathy toward individual Jews (for example, Ferdinand Lasalle, the Jewish leader of the German Social Democrats). Marx's bigotry (also, incidentally, directed against Blacks), is not publicized by Marxist sympathizers, but in view of the anti-Semitism that often characterizes Leftist movements it has to be regarded as more than a personal and isolated idiosyncrasy.

Dangers Of Populism

The tree of democracy has produced much that is beautiful and nourishing, but populism is one of its bitter fruits. Pandering to voters during an election campaign has become a form of political idolatry which invariably leads to political corruption. The increase in heckling and harassment during the recent campaign may be only a passing phenomenon. One hopes that it does not signal the descent of Canadian politics to a curbside level. Particularly in Western Canada and especially on the prairies, the remnants of agrarian populism still contribute to the ideology of the NDP, additionally nourishing a negative attitude towards Jews who have been stereotypically identified with the evils of urban life.

Jews may "pass" in other pursuits, but when it comes to finance, we miraculously become one of the "visible minorities." Important Jewish capitalists are somehow always identified by the media, which, for example, rarely refer to "York and Olympia holdings;" usually it is "the Reichmann brothers." And who does not know the Bronfmans? In B.C. how many times are Gentile entrepreneurs identified by name, compared to, let us say, Messrs. Pezzim and Belzberg? Yet how many Canadians could, on pain of death, name the chairman of the board of Canadian Pacific, still the country's largest corporation? Anonymity, thy name is Gentile. It seems Jews in finance are too colorful to be blessed with anonymity.

Months before the election campaign began we wrote to Ed Broadbent complaining that within one short period several leading NDPers had publicly named certain specified capitalists and objected to their alleged political influence. All of them, it turned out, were Jews. We pointed out the unfortunate history of some social democratic movements regarding anti-Semitism. Broadbent's response, unhappily, was defensive, self-righteous and implied that we bordered on paranoia.

The problem is not that the NDP and most of its supporters display more anti-Semitism than do adherents of the Liberals or Conservatives, but that the NDP believes it is free of the sin of bigotry and therefore above serious criticism. There is nothing like self-righteousness for generating, maintaining, and encouraging the most egregious folly.

Anti-Semitism Takes Variegated Forms

There are many capable, intelligent, well-intentioned politicians in Canada who simply are not educated in the complex sociology and psychology of the Jews and therefore insufficiently sensitized to the pervasiveness and variegated forms of anti-Semitism. In dealing with the Jews they tend to apply methodologies that fail to take into account the uniqueness of Jewish history. Therefore, they see the Jews through a haze of inappropriate analogies. For Jews, in the age of the Holocaust, a nuance is more than a nuance, and we don't have to be apologetic about reacting cogently and vigorously to ignorance and insensitivity.

Between now and the next Federal election a major effort for the Jewish community must be educating Canadian political parties about the basis of anti-Jewishness in all its variegated forms, including anti-Israelism, and sensitizing the NDP in particular to the peculiar subtlety of the "socialism of fools."

Education is, however, a fragile barrier against bigotry. The worst anti-Semites were to be found among Europe's greatest scholars, and pre-1933 membership in the National Socialist German Workers Party was inordinately high among university professors and students.

Even when aimed specifically against anti-Semitism, education itself is no guarantee. Other means must also be sought to help guarantee the security of a Canadian Jewry declining in relative numbers with each passing year. Foremost among them should be a program of still greater involvement in issues of importance to other minority groups and women.